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OF THE

COLUMBIAN GUARDS



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# Preamble to the Constitution of the C. Guard

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, having been authorized by his Excellency the Governor and Commander in Chief, to form ourselves into a Light Infantry Company, deem it proper, in this introduction to our constitution, to make an exposition of the motives which have influenced us in the adoption of this measure, and the feelings with which we are impressed.

As the members of the standing Companies are enrolled by process in some measure compulsory, they do not generally possess that spirit of emulation, which is so absolutely necessary for the attainment of a moderate degree of proficiency in the military art. The stated periods of appearance for practising the military manoeuvres, they consider a duty in deed, but one that is troublesome to themselves, and which they are inclined to perform with as little inconvenience as possible. But in a military Company composed of men who voluntarily associate themselves together, in order to the attainment of a perfect acquaintance with the honourable duty of soldiers, all are actuated by a worthy emulation, and guided by a noble ambition; the performance of this duty is by them considered a recreation, not a task; they feel interested in the reputation of the Company, and individually & unitedly endeavour to promote its welfare. Hence the great and striking contrast between their progress in military discipline, and that of the standing Companies; while the one very nearly approaches to the correctness and precision of regular troops, the other seldom attains any considerable degree of proficiency in the knowledge of military tactics. - May our attention, zeal and perseverance in the discharge of our duty as soldiers, furnish another argument in proof of the truth of what we assert.

The example of other Nations causes us to deprecate the idea of a large standing army in a free state, and compels us to believe that it would be highly detrimental to our rights, if not fatal to our existence as a republic. The best defence of a Nation consists in placing implements of war in the hands of freemen, and them only, since in that case, there is scarcely a possibility of their ever being used, but in defence of the soil which they claim, and the privileges which are their birth right.

The name which we have selected will ever remind us of one, who is dear to us as the discoverer of a country, which is sacred to our affections as the place of our Fathers' sepulchres, and the scene of a long, glorious and eventually successful struggle for Independence.

While we would aspire to the reputation of brave and correct soldiers, may we ever remember that true courage is inseparably allied to humanity; and never may we be found destitute of that benevolence and Philanthropy which characterized the illustrious personage from whom we have derived our name.

Should the clouds of adversity again thicken around our beloved Country, and the storm of war drive us from our peaceful avocations to the tented field, unitedly and unanimously let us endeavour to display that spirit, with which our ancestors were distinguished in a similar situation. - If our Country ever should demand our services, we confidently hope that we may not be found "summer patriots, and winter soldiers," but inheritors of a spark of that fire which was kindled by our Fathers in the altar of Liberty; if summoned to her defence, we shall cheerfully obey the call, and never withhold our spirited exertions while there is a right remaining worth contention, a stone left in our constitutional fabric to preserve.

# Original Subscription Paper.

Whereas, in consequence of the great number whose names are now on the Rolls of the militia Companies in the several Wards in this Town, and who usually appear for military exercise, it is become extremely difficult, if not impossible to attain to that perfection in military discipline and that correct knowledge of the duty of a soldier which are so desirable and which would otherwise be difficult to attain in the person of all; Now therefore in order to remedy this evil, we the subscribers do hereby agree to unite in the formation of an independent company, and to present a petition to the Governor for a Charter.

It is at present intended that the dress of the company shall be similar to that of the New England Guards in Boston. As soon as circumstances may permit, a petition will be drawn up & presented by a member of the intended company.

Charlestown Oct 20 1817

## Names of Subscribers

Joseph S. Porter	James Paulstone	George Davidson
John M. Lister	George B. Lock	Smith Southack
Benj. Thompson	George Choate	Elijah Hadley
Isaac T. Dupier	Isaac Holt	Amos S. Hutchinson
Samuel Newell	Joseph Whittemore	Moses Robins
Nath. Leavitt	John C. Colby	George Adams
Wm. Titcomb	John Perkins	Benj. Phelps
Frederick A. Sumner	John Hobbs	Cephas Goodwin
Abraham Bailey Jr	George Carlton	David Smith
John Morse	Alex. Bowser	Lillian Phelps
Charles Thompson	John W. Bowley	Nath. Austin
Joseph Nichols	John Aspinwall	John Turner
Joseph Southwick	Henry Sted	James Colburn
Thomas Cushman	Thomas G. Loon	David Goodwin 3rd
Asa Tufts	Saml. Threl	Benj. Hinkley
Frederick Leaver	Henry P. Goodwin	Thomas Mander
Thomas Vickary	Joseph Vickary	Joseph Eaton
Joseph Ingalls	Clas Farnsworth	Charles Fark
Oliver Southack	Edward Wiley	James Dennis

## Petition

To His Excellency John Brooks Esq. Governor of the Com<sup>ty</sup> of Mass<sup>ts</sup>

We the Subscribers would ask leave respectfully represent that we are members of the militia Companies in Wards No 1 & 2 in Charlestown & that there are besides your petitioners upwards of two hundred more whose names are on the Rolls of these Companies & who usually appear for military exercise. In consequence of this great & daily increasing number, it has become extremely difficult if not altogether impossible to attain to that degree of perfection in military discipline and correct knowledge of the duty of a soldier which are so important and desirable and this cause has rendered



it absolutely necessary that there should be a division of these companies, unless some measure can be adopted for the remedy of this defect; and as the formation of a separate company from the number will be productive of great benefit not only to ourselves but to the companies of which we are members. We your petitioners respectfully request that you would take our cause into consideration and cause us to be formed into a separate company, under the name (and title) of the "Columbian Guards" and that we may be permitted to make use of a dress similar to the Rangers in Boston, thereby conferring upon us all those privileges which to a Light Infantry Company ought to belong.

Signed by  
John M. Burke and 64 others

Charlestown November 20<sup>th</sup> 1817

Certificate of Col. Page

I am perfectly satisfied that in consequence of the great number which the Companies in Wards No 1 & 2 contain, it has become indisputably necessary that they should be divided, I therefore cannot doubt, that the formation of another company will be productive of very great benefit & most willingly give my approbation & express the desire that the efforts of the petitioners in obtaining the accomplishment of their object, may be crowned with success.

The establishment of another independent company in Charlestown cannot injure in the slightest degree, any of the Independent Companies now in town. I would further certify, that all the statements contained in the petition are true.

Signed  
Genl Page - Col. 5 Regt 1 Brig. 3<sup>d</sup> Division

Certificate of Col. Phipps

I most cheerfully give my approbation of this attempt to form another military company & do not hesitate to declare as my opinion that it will be productive of great benefit to the petitioners & to the companies of which they are now members. In my opinion the establishment of another company, will not be conducive of any injurious effect to the Independent Companies now in town. I do further certify that all the facts contained in the above petition are correct.

Signed  
John B. Phipps Lt. Col. 5 Regiment.

Maj. Fernald

I with pleasure concur in the opinion above expressed by Colonel Page & Phipps

Signed  
Wm Fernald - Maj. 5 Regt.

Certificate of Gen. Austin

Sum<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1817

I very readily give my approving voice in favour of the above petition, believing that the organization of the Company prayed for, will not only be an acquisition in itself, but by increasing the number of practically attentive soldiers, will stimulate the remainder to a better performance of the duty required of them.

Signed  
Nathl Austin Brig. Gen.

Certificate of Capt. Tut

Being fully impressed with the belief that the formation of a separate Company will be of very great benefit to the Companies of which the petitioners are members, inasmuch as the standing companies contain so great a number that a division of them is absolutely necessary, I most cordially join with my Superior Officers in the expression of the wish that the petitioners may be successful in their application. I would furthermore certify that the statement in the petition in reference to the number of men who belong to these companies & who appear for military duty, together with every other statement therein contained is strictly correct.

Signed  
Gurham Tut Capt. Ward No 1

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In Council Jan<sup>y</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1818

The Military Committee to whom was referred the petition of John M. Burke, and sixty four others, inhabitants of the town of Charlestown, within the 5<sup>th</sup> Regt 1<sup>st</sup> Brig. 3<sup>d</sup> Division of Militia requesting permission to form themselves into a Light Infantry Company respectfully report that the prayer of their petition be granted and that the said John M. Burke and his associates, be permitted to form themselves into a Light Infantry Company, save and except where necessary to recruit said Company from within the limits of the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Wards in the aforesaid town of Charlestown, so that the two standing Companies in said Wards be not thereby reduced to a less number than are required by Law, save where said Company is organized to have them annexed to the aforesaid 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment.

(Copy) P. D. Cobb, per order

In Council Jan<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1818

This report is accepted, and by the Governor approved

A. Bradford Secy Com<sup>rs</sup>

A true copy - Attest  
(Copy) (Signed) J. B. Linnum M. G.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Head Quarters Boston Jan 26 1818

General Order The Commander in Chief having approved of the above written order of Council, directs the same to be carried into effect, and Maj Gen. Joseph B. Varnum, will take the requisite measures for that purpose, and when said Company is organized to be annexed to the aforesaid 15th Regiment.

By his Excellency's Command  
Wm. H. Sumner M.D. C.  
Copy J. B. Varnum, M. G. to the Commander in Chief

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Third Division of Militia Jan 27th 1818

Division Orders Brigadier Nathl Austin will take the requisite measures for carrying into effect the order of Council of the 21th Inst. and the similar order of the 25th -  
Copy (Signed) J. B. Varnum M. G.

Brigade Orders Lieut Col. Joshua B. Phipps commanding Office of the 15th Regiment will give the necessary orders for organizing the Company authorized by the above order of Council.  
Charleston Dec 26. 1818.  
By order of Nathl Austin B. G. 1st B. 3rd J.  
Lieut Jacques L. B. M. & J.

Transmitted by order of Joshua B. Phipps Lt Col.  
Comd't, 5 Regt.  
March 3rd 1818  
Jos. W. Kneill  
Seth Pro. Ten

Copy of the proceedings of the meeting of the C. Guards, held at Maj Chandlers Hall in Charleston, on the evening of 30th Jan 1818.  
Mr. J. M. Fiske chosen Moderator, and Mr Joseph Whittemore Secretary -  
Mr Fiske addressed the meeting at some considerable length, noticing the encouragement which he received from the Officers of the Regiment &c as well as portraying the duties of a soldier, which it was

Voted, that a committee of three be appointed for the purpose of nominating three candidates for the offices of Capt. Lieut. & Ensign. The Committee consisting of

Henry Plade  
Burr Thompson  
Joseph Kneill -

It was afterwards moved - & Voted that two more should be added to the above Committee viz

Abraham Bailey, &  
Lillian Phelps -

Voted - that a committee be appointed for the purpose of selecting a plan for the Company to meet to consist of three viz

Joseph Kneill  
Elyah Hadley and  
Joseph S. Porter -

Voted - that this meeting be adjourned to five days previous to the choice of officers - as the order shall be -

Charleston Jan 30th 1818.

Signed John M. Fiske Moderator

Attest Joseph Whittemore Secy

### Regimental Order

Charleston March 2nd 1818

The Senior Commanding Officers of Companies in the 5th Reg. in which vacancies now exist, are hereby required to give the necessary orders for assembling their respective companies on Monday 16th for the purpose of filling whatever vacancies now exist, or that may happen on the day of election as follows. V.C. The Medford company of which Lieut Galem James is senior officer, at Mr Mayo's hotel at 10 o'clock A.M. The Company in Malden commanded by Capt Joseph S. Waterman at the North School House in Malden at 2 o'clock P.M. - The company in Charleston of which Lieut Nathl J. Stone is senior officer, at Mr Bates's tavern at nine o'clock A.M. - The Charleston 2d Infantry Comp of which Ensign Jonas Barlett is senior officer at Mr Capps tavern at 9 o'clock A.M. - Mr John M. Fiske one of the petitioners for leave to form a 2d Infantry Company in the two first wards in the Town of Charleston, is hereby required to notify all the aforesaid petitioners to assemble at Mr Capps tavern on the aforesaid 16th instant at two o'clock P.M. for the



purpose of organizing said company by electing a Capt. Lieut and Ensign therefore the electors in all cases must be notified ten days at least before the election, and a return be made by each commanding officer to the preceding officer at their respective meetings

In order of Joshua B. Phipps Lieut Col. Comdt  
To Mr J. M. Fiske Adjt Pro Tem -  
To Mr J. M. Fiske -

Proceedings of the adjourned meeting at Coffey Hall on the 12th March 1818

Mr John M. Fiske Moderator  
Mr William Lewis about Mr Abraham Bailey was chosen Secty.  
After some observations from the moderator stating his opinion respecting the best interests of the Company, the necessity of unanimity &c -

The Committee appointed to nominate suitable persons as candidates for Officers presented their report. The substance of which was this - that after having bestowed that attention which the importance of the subject seemed to require, after ~~also~~ having enquired into the qualifications of several individuals, members as well as those who were not members, their opinion was that the following gentlemen were the best qualified to unite the company, and to discharge the duties of the three offices viz  
Mr Joseph S. Porter Capt  
Mr John M. Fiske Lieut  
Mr Bayly Phipps Ensign

They then make some remarks upon the unanimity which seemed to prevail in the company respecting the candidates proposed, and speak of the expediency of choosing men who are not at present members of the company, presuming it to be the desire of every one to have such men chosen, who, while they are forced due respect, the point at the same time feel themselves on a level with the rest of the company, and be willing to associate with them either as soldiers or as gentlemen. They also desire of any dispute should arise that it might be settled among ourselves - Signed Lillie Phelps Chairman

After a few observations, it was voted, that each candidate be proposed separately -  
Voted that we express our acceptance or non acceptance by raising

Yeas 8 Nays -  
Voted to accept Joseph S. Porter as candidate for Capt - 27 yeas  
" to " John M. Fiske " " Lieut 12 " -  
" " Bayly Phipps " " Ensign 12 " -

Mr Phipps returns his thanks to the company for their good opinion &c - and desires to be excused -

It was voted to receive Mr Phipps - thought somewhat reluctantly  
Voted that a committee of three be appointed to nominate a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy made by Mr Phipps -  
to consist of the following persons Bayly Phipps -  
Henry Stade  
Thomas Vickary - and

that they report this evening -  
The Committee after having retired a few moments returned and reported Mr Lillie Phelps as a suitable candidate for the office -

Voted to accept him - Yeas 24 - Nays 2 -  
Voted that the thanks of the Company be presented to Mr Fiske for his indefatigable exertions in obtaining a Charter -  
After a few remarks by Mr John M. Fiske expressing an acknowledgements for the vote that they had passed at the meeting, it was dissolved -

A true record of proceedings  
(Signed) Abraham Bailey Secy

Meeting for the choice of Officers at Maj Coffey  
In compliance with an order addressed to S. M. Fiske notice was by him given to the members of the company to assemble at Coffey Tavern in this town on Monday the 16th of March 1818 at 2 o'clock P.M. according to the notice the company assembled at the time & place above specified, Lieut Col. J. B. Phipps presided at the election

The following gentlemen were elected Officers viz - Joseph S. Porter Captain unanimously  
John M. Fiske Lieut - (Do)  
Lillie Phelps Ensign - (Do)

When the following return was made -  
In conformity to an order to me directed by Lieut. Col. J. B. Phipps commanding officer of the Regiment, to which the Light Infantry Company in Charleston bearing the name of the Columbian Guards is annexed, I gave legal notice to the members of said company to assemble at the time & place therein specified for the choice of Officers -  
(Signed) - J. M. Fiske -

Charleston March 16th 1818  
Respectfully submitted to the preceding Officer on the day of election  
By J. M. Fiske -



Proceedings of the meeting of the C. Guards at Maj. Coffey  
Tavern in Charleston on the evening of the 19th March 1818.  
According to order for the choice of an uncommissioned Officer, &c.  
Capt Joseph Porter was called to the Chair & Joseph Whittmore  
appointed Secretary.

Voted that a committee of five be chosen for the  
purpose of bringing in a list of candidates for Sergeants viz

Lieut J. M. Foster

Ensign Little Phelps

Mr Thomas Wilson

Charles Ayer

Edmund Wiley

They were accordingly chosen  
The committee after having retired a few minutes returned with  
the following report viz

Joseph Whittmore

Abraham Bailey

Benjamin Thompson &

John Hobbs

as suitable persons

for that office

Voted to choose them by ballot - when the above  
gentlemen were elected Sergeants by a unanimous vote of the  
Company

Voted that the same committee be appointed to bring in a  
list of candidates for Corporals

The committee reported the following  
gentlemen as suitable persons viz

Edward Wiley

John C. Colby

Isaac F. Fisher

Ralph Leavitt

and they being approved

by the company were elected unanimously  
Voted that a committee to draft a code of Bye Laws for  
the better government of the company - when the three commission  
officers were appointed a committee for that purpose

Voted to have a committee for the purpose of drafting a uniform  
for the company - when the Sergeants with the addition of  
Joseph Newell were appointed for that purpose

Voted a committee of six be appointed to obtain members  
when

Benjamin Thompson

Joseph Whittmore

Joseph Newell

Edward Wiley &

Elijah Hadley

Benjamin Phelps

when chosen

Voted to choose a Treasurer Benjamin Thompson was thereupon

chosen  
Rufus C. Hammond - Alexander Lynch & Wm. W. Leavitt  
were admitted members by a unanimous vote

Voted to adjourn this meeting to Monday evening 30th inst to this place  
Attest Joseph Whittmore Secy Joseph C. Porter moderator

At an adjourned of the Columbian Guards held at Maj. Coffey  
Tavern on the evening of the 30th March 1818 -

Voted that the Committee appointed at the last meeting for  
the purpose of taking the Drafts under consideration be requested  
to report

The Committee agreeable to request presented the fol-  
lowing report

We the undersigned, a committee appointed at your  
last meeting for the purpose of reporting suitable articles of  
Dress, having attended the duty assigned, do respectfully report  
that inasmuch as it was almost impossible to give a complete  
of all the articles under consideration without some pattern  
similar to what was necessary, they have procured the following  
articles for examination viz Knapsack, Belt and Cuckadee  
in addition to which they also conceived it expedient to adopt  
a Dark Blue Coat with plaid, Light Blue Breeches, double breasted,  
long folds and roll collar, White pantaloons with half V belt  
the pantaloons to come down over the boots, a Black Cravat, turned  
out with white, White, Felt, round Hat, Small Cap & Fox  
Grip, heart plate with an Eagle and a Buff Leather Gun Strap  
all of which is respectfully submitted by Joseph Whittmore

Chairman

Voted to accept the report of the committee with the exception  
of the Knapsack which should be considered at the next meeting

The Thomas Brooks Esq. James Swan Wm. A. Parker and  
Andrew W. Ledy were admitted members of the company  
by a unanimous vote

The committee appointed at a previous  
meeting for the purpose of drafting Bye Laws reported - a  
Code which was accepted by the Company

Voted that the Thanks of the company be presented to the  
committee for their framing Laws

Voted that each member sign the Laws of the company

Voted that a committee be appointed for the purpose of printing  
and getting printed, the Bye Laws together with part of the  
Articles for the use of the Company

The Commission  
Officers were appointed a committee

Voted to adjourn  
this meeting

(Signed) Joseph P. Porter mod.

Attest Joseph Whittmore Secy



April 16th 1818. A meeting of the Columbian Guards was held at the Circus in this town for the purpose of Drill. Mr. Carlton Parker & Lemuel Cox were admitted members by a unanimous vote.

April 21st 1818. Vote to choose a committee for the purpose of obtaining members to consist of 10 viz  
John W. Siske  
Nathl. Drutman  
Benj. Phipps  
Thomas Hickory  
Lillie Phelps  
Joseph Maxwell  
James Dinning  
John Hobbs  
Henry Gade  
Jos. Whitman

April 24. 1818. Mr Stephen Scott admitted a member unanimously.  
Mr. \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ were proposed for admission

April 28th 1818. A meeting was holden for the purpose of Drill &c. when the following Gentlemen were admitted as members by a unanimous Vote.  
Nathl. Ray  
John H. Bailey  
Joshua Converse  
Wm. Bird  
Thomas Roche  
Joshua Sabinian  
Sam. Monro  
Sol. Clarendell

Mr. Elijah Gladly was unanimously elected Treasurer. Benj. Thompson having resigned.

May 1st 1818. A meeting was held at the usual place of parade for the purpose of Drill. Mr. Solon Senter was admitted a member by a unanimous vote.  
Charlestown May 1st 1818.

Company Order. A. Bailey & John Hobbs, Sergeants, You are hereby ordered & directed to notify & warn all non commissioned Officers & Soldiers belonging to the said Company under my command to appear at the Circus on Friday 5. May at 1 o'clock with arms & equipments as the law directs. If they fail not to make their return before the day of appearance with the above things unto myself.

May 5th 1818. A meeting for the purpose of Inspection & Military duty was held at the Circus in this town. After performing the duties enjoined by the Militia Law, Mr Charles Foster was unanimously admitted a member of the Company, and was inspected, and performed the duties required by the commanding officer. After which the following vote was passed viz  
That Mr. Elijah Gladly should obtain the Breast Plate and Cockade for the Company.  
That each member, Uniform himself by the 2nd Tuesday in June 1818.  
That we meet next Friday evening for the purpose of drill.

Friday evening May 8th 1818. met for drill.  
Thursday evening May 12th. met for drill, when Mr. Saml. Bayles was admitted a member by a unanimous vote.

Monday evening June 8th. met for drill, when Mr. Wm. Rogers was admitted a member unan.

At the (drill) meeting of July 11th. Mr. Thomas Galt of Malden was admitted a member (unan.)

Company Order.  
A. Bailey Sr. & John Hobbs Sergeants. You are hereby ordered & directed to notify and warn all the non commissioned Officers & Soldiers belonging to the Company under my command to appear at the Circus in this town on Friday the 10th July at 11 o'clock A.M. in uniform, with arms & equipments for the duty for military duty. If they fail not to make their return before the day of appearance with the above things unto myself.  
Edw. at Charlestown the fourth July 1818. Capt

Return.  
This return certifies that all the non commissioned Officers & Soldiers belonging to the said Company have been duly notified and warned as above directed.

W. Thompson - Clerk



July 10th 1818.

The Columbian Guard, made, agreeably to order, their first appearance this day, being by them designated, as soundly appropriate, to be considered as their anniversary. An elegant Standard, the production of that eminent artist, Penniman, had been procured by request of the generous and public spirited citizen. - In the morning, the Company paraded on Breed's Hill, a place excellently suited for the performance of the ceremony, a spot calculated to excite in every bosom sentiments of patriotism and valor. In presence of a numerous and respectable assemblage of spectators, Dr. William R. Thompson in behalf, and at the request of the society, in committing the Standard to the charge of the Company, in his usual animated manner, delivered the following, impressive & elegant address: -

Sir - In appointment and in behalf of those gentlemen of Charlestown who have associated to offer the token of their good wish for your corps - I now have the honor to present through you, this Standard to the Columbian Guard. - The name you have chosen will remind you of the philosophers here whose penetrating mind conceived the emblem, and whose invincible spirit achieved the discovery of a new world. - While our minds, on the present occasion, are devoutly awakened to the retrospect of all the years of our country, which have been distinguished as "years of the night," we will not, we cannot suppress the patriotic emotion of our hearts in view of these memorable heights of Bunker's monument by the deeds, and passed to the names of patriots, heroes and statesmen, those great lights and guides, whose names shone resplendent in the dark day of our country's peril, and whose virtue, registered on our annals, will be transmitted through time, for those invaluable institutions which are the fruit of their wisdom, patriotism & valor. These institutions are the bulwark and the glory of our country, the golden chain that binds ~~and~~ one generation to another, and securing the happiness of all. - These institutions your virtues as citizens must preserve, your courage as soldiers must defend. Acquire yourselves of this high duty like men, and you will emulate the fame, be partakers of the renown, and perpetuate the glory of the immortal heroes who discovered, and the illustrious civilians and warriors who have so watchfully cherished, and so nobly defended maintained this land of your fathers, this heritage of your children. - Remember the honorable character of the soldier of Freedom. Your country and its laws are the prize you defend, and your God, the altar of your God, the sepulchre of your fathers, and the guide of your families. In this glorious cause we firmly trust you will be ever ready to defend this Standard, and that this honorable

pledge of confidence now reposed in you, will be nobly supported by your courage and good conduct, whenever the purity of your country shall summon you to the field, either in vindication of her rights or defence of her soil. -

To this address Ensign Lillie Paddy, in a very handsome style, returned the following reply -

Recd, Sir, with your kind associates, the assurance of the most grateful feelings of our Company for this mark of your good will and confidence. We have associated to discipline ourselves for the defence of our Country, and to be thus insured - we will anxiously follow the example of that great genius, who, through perseverance, discovery, and those heroes who so valiantly defended this happy land. It was on this land our fathers planted the tree of Liberty, and with this tree we swear to live or die. - On these memorable heights were slain, while in defence of the young shoot, some of the worthiest patriots that ever graced a nation, and, Sir, we shall ever hold that place sacred which contains their ashes. -

We hope, Sir, that our Country will remain in peace, and not require us to unfurl this Standard in its defence, but whether we unfurl it in peace or war, it will ever make us ambitious to perform our duty, so as to merit the approbation of its generous donors. -

Accept, Sir, with the rest of our Liberator, benediction the best wish of this company, that you may long, remain in health, peace & happiness, a well blessing, and all honor to your town & Country. -

After paying the usual salute and performing a few evolutions the Company retired to the Hotel, and used some refreshment which had been provided by their friends. - In the afternoon they marched to Medford, & presented their respects to his excellency the Commander in Chief, on their return to Charlestown in compliance with the very polite request of their worthy patron, Col. Fernald, they partook of an excellent repast at his residence in Washington Street. - After performing a variety of evolutions with unusual regularity, accuracy and precision, which evinced a spirit of emulation in the soldier's skill & ability in the Commander, and reflected much honor upon both the Company, returned to Paddy's Hotel, and partook of a supper prepared in his best style, at which were present several military and other respectable guests. - The cloth being removed, the following sentiments were announced by

Sergeant Whittemore, and drank by the Company, interspersed with patriotic and appropriate songs. (continued on other page -



No. 1. The day we celebrate. — May the steady and persevering spirit, which actuated the first discoverers of this American World, never be suffered to evaporate or congeal by any who shall assume the name of Columbians. —

No. 2. Independence — Sealed to us by the blood of our Saviors, by the valor of their sons may it ever be perpetuated. —

No. 3. James Monroe. — His active duties during his Presidency, have rendered him worthy the confidence of a great and free People. —

No. 4. Union of the States. — The impregnable bulwark of our nation; built upon principles of true Republicanism, never shall tremble before it. —

No. 5. The American Eagle. — While to tyrannies & oppression she deals arrows of destruction, to justice & virtue she still holds the olive of Peace. —

No. 6. The liberal & public spirited Citizens of Charleston. — May the great and public favour by them conferred upon us, this day, inspire our hearts with gratitude, stimulate our exertions in the attainment of that character as a company, which marks the Soldier & Gentleman. —

No. 7. The memory of Washington. — For it may we prove that Love which he, at all times, poured for his country. —

No. 8. Bunker's Height. — May the sacred remains of our fathers deposited in this hallowed ground in 1775, ever produce that fruit in their sons, which will add to the glory of their names, and to the honour of their Country. —

No. 9. Our Navy. — Commanding from all nations its due reputation of respect, by the solidity and weight of its arguments. —

No. 10. Our Army. — Their glorious achievements from Erie to Orleans, have proclaimed to the world that true bravery is inseparably allied to humanity. —

No. 11. Wm. C. Gov. Brooks. His virtue shines equally resplendent at the helm of State, or in the field. —

No. 12. Party Spirit. — May its baneful and pernicious effects cease to be known among us — and may peace, happiness & prosperity, attend all the inseparable companions of union & order, in our portion in times of peace, our strong defence in times of danger. —

No. 13. The American Fair. — virtuous as they are lovely, May they ever receive that attention and respect due to their labors, and that protection in the hearts of their countrymen, to which they are justly entitled, being "bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh." —

## Volunteers. —

By Brig. Gen. Nathl. Austin. —  
Our Father: Adam, and our friend, Columbus; — the one was placed by God himself in a paradisaical garden in Eden; and he left it a wilderness — the other, following the unerring ray of Truth, discovered a wilderness, unknown in America, and, behold, it has become a paradise, and blossoms as the rose. —

Maj. E. Phinney —  
Our Country and its laws — they need not the protection of foreign troops — none but Columbian Guards shall guard Columbian rights. —

St. Henry Ingersoll —  
The Government of our Country — a Government of the people — May the People learn, that to have a good Government they must be honest themselves. —

Ernest Ogden —  
The Columbian Guard — A valuable acquisition to our regiment, and an honor to the town. —

Dr. A. R. Thompson —  
The Golden Age — imagined by the poet in "olden time" realized by us at the present. —

Dr. J. Bartlett —  
The Columbian Guard — may they be as much distinguished for patriotism, discipline and valor, as the illustrious person whose name they bear was for zeal, intrepidity & perseverance. —

Hon. L. M. Parker —  
The Soldier's first duty — the honour & safety of his Country. —

Maj. Thomas Pitts —  
The Columbian Guard — their country, duty, their watchword. —

Capt. Thomas Edmands —

The Spade and pickaxe of Bunker's Height, the sword of St. Orleans and the pen of Ghent — with such weapons Columbianism will be free. —

Continued. —



Dr. Walker - - -

The American Emigrant - - It has staid for its friend, and  
staid for its emigrant - - -

By Capt Porter after the Gen. had returned -  
Ing. Gen. Audlin - The judicious Officer and good disciplinarian  
like respected as a captain and a soldier - - -

Leuit Fiske - - -

The Birth day of Columbus - - While others are dazzled with the  
splendor of it, we celebrate the natal day of one, whose going  
was predominant, whose life was marked by purity, the glory of whose  
achievement was unobscured by crime - - -

Ensign Phelps - -

The Commerce of the U. States - - The river of our superabundance -  
may it flow through all the world, without obstruction, increasing  
in magnitude and richness, till it shall return into the great  
ocean of our country's glory, prosperity & happiness - - -

A Citizen - -

The Columbian Guard - - A political band of brotherhood -  
accused to be who would save their union - - -

Dr. Thomas Pratt - -

The day of our birth - The land of our liberty - and the guard of  
Columbian - - -

A member of the Company -

The patron of the C. Guard - - Those who unite the flame  
of valor in the breast of Patriots, and in erecting the noblest  
and most efficient bulwark of our national liberty - - -

A member -

Independence - - May those of any nation, worthy of  
its blessings, meet with that success in pursuit of it, which  
crowned the glorious exerting of our forefathers - - -

H. C. Davidson Esq. -

Punker Hild - - When ages shall have rolled away, the  
philanthropist traveller shall peak its verdant summits; his bosom  
shall glow with rapture at the glory of its renouncing his  
shall pay the tribute of a tear to the memory of the things  
who upon its bosom - - -

Squidally to a pole of the Company - the following  
copy of the subscription paper for the standard, with the names  
of subscribers and some given if invited - - -

Considering the importance of military discipline, and  
desires of encouraging every exertion which is made by young men  
who voluntarily unite themselves together for the purpose of gaining  
that information in the science of military tactics, which is  
absolutely necessary to the character of a soldier, and who strive  
with spirit and ambition to obtain the attention and esteem of  
their fellow citizens;

It is proposed to raise by subscription, a  
standard, and present it to the Company, which has been recently  
formed in this town, bearing the name of the "C. Guard," and  
commanded by Capt S. S. Porter, on the 10th day of July,  
it being that day on which they were made their first appearance,  
as it is related by them, as their Anniversary, in commemoration  
of the birth day of the man to be remembered, Christopher Columbus,  
from whom they have taken their name -  
Those persons, who are disposed to assist in this undertaking,  
and who wish to encourage them in the undertaking for  
the attainment of this great and good object, may now have  
an opportunity, by subscribing, just such as they may think  
proper - - -

Subscribers names

Joseph Hand	10	A Friend	3
Tim Walker	5	Wm Austin	5
Isaac Warren	5	John Wmhip	5
Eliza Wheeler	5	John Zaphy	5
Wm. Hunt	5	Friend	3
John Skinner	5	James Porter	5
Thomas Goodwin	5	Isaac Norton	2
Wm. S. Walker	5	Friend	3
Is. Thompson	5	Id	2
Nath. Audlin	5	James Caldwell	1
Simon Coffy	5	J. Mill	1
Th. Paine	5	Sam. Kimball	1
Sam. Sayer Jr	5	Isaac Newcomb	1
Madison Mann	2	C. Farboy	1
Sullivan Ball	5	Wm. Sawyer	6
Oben. Baker	5		
L. M. Parker	5		
Ernest Hyde	5		
Sam. Payson	5		
Nathan Traft	5		
David Titman	5		



## Company Order.

To Abram Bailey & John Hobbs - Sergeants -

You are hereby ordered & directed to notify and warn all the non commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to the company under my command to appear at the City in this town on Tuesday the 20th Aug 1818 at 10 o'clock with arms & equipments as the law directs for military duty. Hereof fail not, and make return before the day of appearance with your doings, herein unto myself -

Capt -

Dated at Charleston 20th Aug 1818 -

## Return.

This return certifies that all non commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to said Company have been duly notified & warned as above directed.

D. Thompson Clerk

Aug 25th 1818.

Aqually to order the "C. Guard" met this day for military duty, and after returning from the duty of the day to the City, Mr Saml Champersey was admitted a member, unanim - J. M. Thomas Parker proposed.

Sept 4th 1818.

At the drill meeting of this date Mr Thomas Parker was admitted a member of the Company by a unanimous vote. Messrs James Brazier & Hiram Webster proposed as members - Mr C. Glade, Lt. Trice & Thomas Gore were appointed a com. for knapsacks.

Sept 8th 1818.

The company again met for drill and admission of members - James Brazier & H. Webster were admitted, unanim.

## Company Order.

To A. Bailey & John Hobbs Sergeants -

You are hereby ordered & directed to notify all the non commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to the company under my command to appear at the City in this town on Monday the 21st Sept 1818 at 10 o'clock with arms & equipments as the law directs for military duty. Hereof fail not, and make return before the day of appearance with your doings herein unto myself -

Dated Charleston 14th Sep - 1818 -

Capt

## Return.

This return certifies that all the non commissioned officers & soldiers ~~under~~ belonging to said company have been duly notified and warned as above directed.

M. J. - Clerk

Sept. 21st 1818. Aqually to order, the Company met at the City, and performed the duties required of them at that time by the Commanding Officer -

## Order for Sept 30th 1818.

To A. Bailey & John Hobbs Sergeants -

You are hereby ordered & directed to notify and warn all the non commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to the company under my command to appear at the City in this town on Wednesday the 30th at 5 o'clock in the morning with arms & equipments as the law directs for review & inspection -

Hereof fail not, and make return before the day of appearance with your doings herein unto myself -

Capt -

Dated Charleston Sept 23rd 1818

## Return.

This return certifies that all non commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to said company have been duly notified and warned as above directed.

M. J. Clerk



Voted that the thanks of the Company be presented to  
Col. Wm. Seward for his exertions in promoting the interest of  
the company and particularly for ~~his~~ the great exertions  
which he and in obtaining the elegant Standard which we now  
hold. — — — — —  
Lieut. E. M. Fiske was appointed for that purpose  
and the following is a copy of the letter which was sent by Lieut.  
Fiske — — — — — Dec 9-1815 — — —

Dear Sir. —  
It is with pleasure that I now embrace the first  
lucid moment with which I am favoured in communicating  
to you in behalf — and at the request of the "C. Guards" the substance  
of a vote passed at their last meeting. Among the many respectable  
patrons who have voluntarily tendered by their aid in the formation  
of our Corps its establishment on a permanent foundation, we  
regard you as the first, most worthy & undeviating. —  
It is to your assistance we are in a great degree indebted for our  
existence as a company, and in consequence of your friendly  
exertions, has been derived what of honour our Corp's may have  
acquired. — It is not because we have the vanity to suppose that  
the opinion of those whose recommendation is good intentions  
can be of importance to one whose rank is too high to be lowered  
or advanced by any service we can render, that we now take  
the liberty of tendering you the expression of our high opinion  
of your assistance, but we wish that the numerous favours  
which your liberality has bestowed upon us, as a company, may  
not be supposed to be received without the only returns in our  
power to make, the voluntary offering of our warmest gratitude  
our sincerest thanks. — — — — — (Indubitable would be the character of  
a soldier who felt no gratitude for the liberality of his benefactor. —  
In return then for that numerous testimonial of our friends appro-  
bation, we can only, by profession as well as conduct, give you the  
assurance that they have not been received without a just estimation  
of the generous liberality of their donor, & a ready determination  
to render ourselves more deserving. — While we have such patrons, we  
shall, I trust, ever be increasing ardour & activity in the dis-  
charge of the soldier's duty; and if in the end, we do not honour  
our friends, we shall at least have the credit of spirited exertion.  
As your friendship has been found not to consist in empty hollow  
professions, but substantial benefit conferred, never from us, the  
assurance, that we shall ever with pleasure and pride hail  
you as our constant & undeviating friend. — — — — —  
In conclusion, permit me, Sir, to express my personal acknow-  
ledgments both individually & in connection with the company.  
It will always be to me a source of pleasure, if I am enabled  
to discover that my conduct, either as a citizen, or a soldier,  
is deemed worthy of your approbation. — Several months have  
I have said. I devote my preparatory studies & received a  
since which time I have been daily  
preparing to leave the place. — It is probable  
I shall soon find some suitable situation, and unless I shall

conclude to settle myself permanently in Charleston, which I  
fear will not be for my interest, my connection with the com-  
pany must be short. — Yet I have the consolation of believing that  
you will cheerfully add your exertions to those of its officers &  
members, in order that the C. G. may exist for a long time to  
come an honour to themselves, the Town & its worthy patrons. —  
Permit me, Sir, to renew the assurance of the high esteem & respect  
with which I subscribe myself,  
Your most  
Obedt Servt  
E. M. Fiske —

Col. Wm. Seward — — — — — (Signed) — E. M. Fiske —  
To which, the company received the following reply —  
"To the Officers & Soldiers of the C. Guards —  
Gentlemen —  
I receive readily, which I can assure you I  
now discharge with pleasure, the receipt of a  
respectful communication from a member of your corps, be-  
lieving in your behalf, and at your request, a vote, relative  
to myself, which was passed at one of your meetings. To receive  
expressions of respect & friendship from any person, cannot but be  
acceptable to me, but the receipt of it from those, who, at  
times are occupied in the honourable employment of soldiering,  
in which I have spent no inconsiderable part of my time, must  
be doubly pleasing. — It is with pleasure that I can dis-  
pose of those sentiments of respect which you as a company have  
now and at all times since your organization, manifested towards  
me, that the assistance, which it has been in my power to  
render you, has been by you held in so high estimation. —  
I cannot suffer this opportunity to pass, without congratulating  
you on the high & honourable standing, which your company  
has gained, by your spirited exertions to obtain respectability as  
soldiers. — An honourable name, you will not fail to obtain  
by unanimity & zeal in discharge of duty. In your welfare I  
care with sincerity & truth say, I feel interest. — In confirma-  
tion of the assurance, that at all times, I shall be happy in  
affording any aid which may be conducive to the prosperity  
honour of the "C. Guards" — — — — —  
In examining the account of money, received of different gentlemen  
for of this town, who generously contributed for the purchase of a  
Standard for your Company, I find that, a small sum  
remains after defraying the expense of the purchase, which  
you will be pleased to receive. —  
I remain with friendship  
Your Obedt Servt  
(Signed) — — — — — Wm. Seward



To the Selectmen of Charleston Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1818 -

Gentlemen -

We were informed a few days since, that a part of the town House lately erected, is intended to be appropriated to the use of the several military companies belonging to this town - We shall be very happy if this information is correct, as we are desirous of obtaining a room, in which our company can deposit their arms, & hold their meetings for drill and the transaction of other military business - We take the liberty therefore of requesting, that a part of that story of the building which may be designated for the use of the military companies, may be assigned to the Co. Guards under such conditions as you may think proper to require -

We have the honor to be very respectfully

Yours Obedt Servts

Signed - - G. S. Porter

G. M. Fiske

L. Phelps -

November 16<sup>th</sup> 1818 -

A meeting was held this evening, for the purpose of closing the concerns of the year &c - - -

The treasurer presented his acc<sup>t</sup> which was accepted the request to pass the balance to run acc<sup>t</sup> till the funds now due are collected -

A committee was appointed to prepare the Room now from the selectmen for an armory to consist of

Capt. G. S. Porter

Leut. G. M. Fiske

Eng. L. Phelps -

Voted that the Clerk be requested to read every material paper relative to the Company, in the orderly Book -

April 9<sup>th</sup> 1819 - The annual meeting of the Company, being appointed this evening, the meeting was holden at Mr. Whitteman's Hotel - - - - -  
Mr. Whitteman, having removed to the southward, it became necessary to fill the vacancy made by him, and was made, after the meeting was opened, the first article of attention - A committee was then chosen to nominate a candidate, suitable for such office, consisting of

Leut. G. M. Fiske

A. Bailey

J. Habbs -

Having voted upon the duty assigned them, they reported Mr. Salmon Jenkins, as one well calculated for the station - - - The company accepted the report and Mr. Jenkins was chosen third Sergeant of the company - - -

An application, made by E. Thompson to the Capt. ~~was then~~ for his discharge from the duties of Sergeant & Clerk, was then read to the company, and his request was granted by the vote of the company to excuse him from said duties -

Voted that the above named committee, should return and report a candidate, to fill the office of Sergeant, there being a vacancy by the resignation of Mr. Thompson - - - - -  
Having acted upon their duty, and not being able to agree upon one, they reported two candidates, viz

John C. Galby

Elijah Hadley -

Mr. Hadley declined being considered a candidate, and the vote being taken it was found that J. C. Galby was elected fourth Sergeant - - - - -

It being an article of the By Laws to choose corporals annually, and this being a meeting, where such election should be made,

The Company proceeded to make choice for the coming year - A committee was chosen to bring in a nomination list to consist of

Ben. Phipps

C. Hadley

A. Bailey -

They reported the following gentlemen as suitable for such office viz - Charles Porter -

George Adams

Joseph Southard

Lamy Briggs - - which was accepted, &

they were chosen - - - - -  
Voted that the com. officers be a com. to audit the Clerk's & Treasurer's acc<sup>t</sup> - - - - -

Leut. Fiske proposed as candidates for admitting the



Following gentlemen viz  
George C. Carter  
Nathan Clark  
J. L. Evans

Mr. James Colburn proposed Mr.  
Frederick A. Sumner for admission.  
Mr. Thompson having returned from the meeting, the following  
vote was proposed by Lieut. Fiske & passed by the company  
That the thanks of this company be presented to B. Thompson for  
the zeal, activity and uncommon exertions by him manifested  
in the discharge of the duties of Clerk and Sergeant of the  
C. Co. and that his truly laudable epistles addressed to our command  
& read to the company this evening, be transcribed on the records  
of the company -

The meeting was then adjourned until Friday  
Evening from this evening at 7 o'clock at this place -

April 20 1819.  
Agreeable to adjournment the company met this evening at  
Mr. Whitney's Hotel when the committee chosen to audit the Clerk's & Treasurer's  
accounts made the following report.  
The committee appointed at the last meeting of the C. Co. to examine the  
Clerk's & Treasurer's accounts ask leave respectfully to report that they have paid  
that attention to this duty which its importance demands & now offer the following  
as the result of their investigation. The whole amount of money received by the  
Treasurer from the Clerk for fines & by himself for assessments amounts to the  
sum of four hundred five dollars & 1/100. The whole amount of money paid by the  
Treasurer agreeable to the direction of the company is four hundred thirteen  
dollars & 1/100 to which adding the sum of three dollars for interest leaves \$416 & 1/100  
as the sum in which the company is indebted to the Treasurer. Your committee  
from an examination of the Treasurer's & Clerk's accounts are of opinion that they  
merit the approbation of the company for the attention & accuracy with which they  
have kept their books & discharged the other duties which appertain to their respective offices.

Voted to choose a Treasurer by ballot. Elijah Hadley was chosen.  
Voted to choose a standing committee as directed by the Article of By Laws  
Mr. Henry Glade  
Thomas Nickary  
Joseph Nickary - Gent. Chosen

Voted to add two Corporals to the present number. Mr. Bird & Joel Blaisdell - chosen  
Voted to choose a committee to confer with any other committee that might be chosen  
by the other companies to make arrangements for entering the New Military Hall  
The three commissioned officers were chosen

Voted that the thanks of the company be presented to Mr. Joseph Whittemore for the able &  
faithful manner in which he discharged the duty as orderly Sergeant the year past  
and that the Clerk inform him of this vote by letter.

Voted to choose a committee of six for the express purpose of obtaining members  
Mr. Benjamin Phelps Mr. Hadley  
J. Goodwin Esq. S. Jenkins  
Mr. Bird G. Fox Gentlemen chosen

April 22 1819. Admitted as Members.  
Mr. George C. Carter J. P. Evans. J. A. Sumner  
Proposed for Membership.  
Mr. Benj. Blanchard. Josiah Battles. Ch. Pierce. Josiah G. Clark. Henry Oliver.  
Voted this meeting be adjourned to Tuesday evening next.

Company Order.  
To Abraham Bailey & John C. Lotby Sergeants  
You are hereby ordered & directed to  
notify & warn all the non-commissioned officers and soldiers belonging to the  
company under my command, to appear at the circus in this town on Tuesday  
the fifth day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon, with arms & equipments,  
as the Law directs, for military duty and inspection. They fail not, and make  
due return before the day of appearance, with your doings herein, unto myself.  
Dated at Chastetown the 23rd day of April 1819.

Signed Jos. S. Porter Capt.  
Return  
This return certifies, that all the non-commissioned officers and soldiers,  
belonging to the said company, have been duly notified and warned, as above directed.  
Signed J. C. Lotby Clerk.  
April 27 1819.

Agreeable to adjournment the company met this evening when the  
following Gentlemen were admitted  
Mr. Josiah Battles Mr. Ch. Pierce  
" Benj. Blanchard " Josiah G. Clark.  
" Mr. Henry Oliver.

Proposed for Membership  
Mr. Robert Jones. Mr. Ch. Thompson -  
Voted to choose an Armorer by ballot whose duty should be to take charge of  
the Armory & keep it in order. J. C. Lotby was chosen.  
Voted that the Treasurer report at our next meeting all members who have  
not paid the fines or assessments for the past year.  
Voted that the thanks of the company be presented to Mr. E. Hadley for the  
very faithful and accurate manner in which he has discharged the duties of  
Treasurer during the last year.

May 4  
The company met agreeable to orders were inspected according to law  
& found in good military trim. Mr. Benj. Mansie proposed  
Voted to meet on Friday evening for Drill  
Voted to choose a committee of five to ascertain what a stand of arms may be purch.  
ased for. Mr. Benj. Thompson. Capt. J. S. Porter Lieut. J. M. Fiske. Ensign L. Phelps & Mr. Hadley  
7. The company met this evening for Drill. Mr. William Adams. Gent. Chosen.  
12. The company met this evening for Drill & Voted to notify in Monitor, & in this town  
The company met this evening for Drill & Voted to meet next Wednesday Morning  
for Drill at 1/4 past 4 o'clock.  
20. The company met this morning for Drill & Business. Mr. C. Collins was proposed



Wednesday June 2<sup>nd</sup>

This evening the company met for Drill & Business.  
Mr C. Collins was admitted.

Saturday June 5

A special meeting of the company held at the Armory this evening. When the committee chosen to make inquiries relative to the purchase of a stand of arms made the following report:  
The committee appointed to ascertain the price of a stand of arms suitable for the company, reported that they had called upon Major Wallach of Boston & others, that the price of Mr W's gun was \$7.50 - that in their opinion, if the company purchased any, it would be best to take W's -

The same committee were directed by the company to purchase fifty guns at the price above mentioned -

On the 7<sup>th</sup> June the committee, in compliance with the request of the company, purchased of Major Wallach

50 guns with bayonets & cranes  
from No 1 to 50 at 7.50 - \$375.00  
2 boxes & 50 coveys - 10.00

385.00

The terms of payment were one hundred dollars on delivery, and the remainder in one year with interest - The committee, consisting of the three com-offrs, gave their joint & several note to Major W for \$205.00, payable in one year \$100 were paid - which sum was collected by apportionment -

Monday eve June 7<sup>th</sup> The company met for drill - Mr John Dingle was admitted a member of the company, & was -

Wednesday eve 9<sup>th</sup> June - The company met for drill with "Phalanx & Blue," all under the command of Col Wyman - after performing various evolutions by battalion the companies marched to Richards' Hotel - returned at 12 o'clock - Mr James Hall was admitted a member, this evening -

The order which should have been inserted here will be found on the next page -

Thursday - June 17<sup>th</sup> The company assembled this day at 12 o'clock, it being the day selected by the committee of the several 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry companies of Charlestown to take possession of the new military Hall - at 2 o'clock formed in battalion with the "Phalanx" & "Blue" under command of Col Wyman - A collation was provided in the Hall at the joint expense of the three companies - Col Wyman, Gen Austin & other military characters attended by invitation, as well as the Selectmen of the town & other respectable citizens -

Company Order

To A Bailey Dr, John Hobbs, S Jenkins & J C Edly Sergeants. You are hereby ordered and directed to notify & warn all the M.C. officers & soldiers belonging to the company under my command, to appear at Military Hall in Charlestown on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July at one o'clock in the afternoon with arms & equipments, as the Law directs for military duty. Should fail not, & make due return before the day of appearance, with your doings herein unto myself. Done at Charlestown this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 1819 Samuel S. Peter Capt 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn 1<sup>st</sup> Regt Mass Artillery &c Colly Clerk.

Anniversary

Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> The company met for military exercise - This day was designated for our anniversary; but as it came on Saturday, and at the expense of the company in consequence of the purchase of a stand of arms &c had been considerable, it was thought inexpedient to provide a supper. Some refreshment, however, was provided in the Military Hall, of which the company, and a few of its particular friends partook - The appearance & performances of the company on this occasion did not disgrace it - 3

August 24<sup>th</sup> A meeting of the company was called this evening by Brother Goodwin. The object of this meeting was to ascertain what measures the company would adopt in aid of Mr Taylor who was confined by sickness, & was in need of pecuniary aid -

The company thought it best that a subscription paper should be written - one was accordingly drawn by a member - Each member present contributed for this purpose - A committee was appointed to wait upon those members who were absent - Thirty dollars were collected, & by direction of the company, were deposited in the hands of Capt. Peter, to be by him appropriated, in the name of the company, in such manner as he might think proper -

September 2<sup>nd</sup> met this evening for drill -

Sept<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> met for drill - Mr Charles Thompson was admitted a member of the company - mem - Cont -  
The order which should have been inserted in this place will be found on the next page -

Sept - 15 - met for ~~drill~~ - regular training, received a polite invitation from the officers of Malden. Accepted it & marched there received a handsome collation, formed & returned home -

17<sup>th</sup> met for drill -

Mr Samuel Taylor, a worthy & highly respected member of our corps, departed this life on Tuesday evening September 21<sup>st</sup> 1819 - Aged 23 years. Altho' destitute of property Mr T. possessed, what is still more valuable, an honourable name - He lived beloved, and died lamented -



Wednesday evening - The company met this evening -  
September 22<sup>d</sup> It was voted, unanimously, that we attend  
the funeral of Mr Taylor, and that he be buried with  
military honours -  
Voted that the company wear the usual badge of mourning  
thirty days as a testimony of respect for the memory of our  
deceased brother Taylor -

Thursday 12 o'clock - Sept 23<sup>d</sup> The company assembled at  
their armoury in uniform - At three o'clock P.M. they attended  
the funeral of Mr Taylor - The funeral was from the house  
of our commander, Capt J. S. Porter, who generously tendered  
the use of his house for this purpose - A large number of  
citizens attended the funeral - Every thing was conducted  
with great propriety -

### Company Order

To A Bailey Jr. John Hobbs, John Jenkins & J. C. Colby, Sergeants.  
You are hereby  
ordered and directed to notify and warn all soldiers belonging to the Company under  
my command, to appear at the Armory in military hall so called in Charlestown  
on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June at 12 o'clock noon, with arms & equipments, as the Law  
directs, for Military duty.  
Hereof fail not, and make due return before the day of appearance, with your doings  
herin unto myself.

Dated at Charlestown the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1819

(Signed) J. S. P. Captain

### Return

This return certifies, that all the N.C. Officers & Soldiers belonging to the said Company,  
have been duly notified and warned, as above directed.

A Bailey, J Hobbs & J. C. Colby Sergeants -

### Company Order

To A Bailey Jr. John Hobbs, John Jenkins & J. C. Colby Sergeants

You are hereby ordered and  
directed to notify and warn all the Soldiers belonging to the Company under my command,  
to appear at the Armory in the Military Hall in Charlestown on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
September at 12 o'clock, Noon, with arms and equipments, as the Law directs, for Military  
duty.  
Hereof fail not, and make due return before the day of appearance, with  
your doings herin, unto myself.

Dated at Charlestown the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 1819

(Signed) J. S. Porter Capt

### Return.

This return certifies, that all the N.C. Officers & Soldiers belonging to the said Company, have  
been duly notified & warned, as above directed.

Signed J. C. Colby Clerk.

### Company Order

To A Bailey Jr. John Hobbs, John Jenkins & J. C. Colby Sergeants.

You are hereby Ordered and directed to  
notify & warn all the Soldiers belonging to the Company under my Command, to appear at the  
Armory on Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October next at 5 o'clock in the morning, with arms and  
equipments, as the Law directs, for Military duty, Inspection and Review.  
Hereof fail not, and make due return before the day of appearance, with your doings herin  
unto myself.

Dated at Charlestown the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1819

Signed J. S. Porter Capt

### Return.

This return certifies, that all the N.C. Officers and Soldiers, belonging to the said Company,  
have been duly notified and warned, as above directed.

Signed J. C. Colby Clerk.

October 7 1819.

The company met at 5 o'clock this morn, agreeable to order, were formed. At 6 o'clock  
marched out of the Hall bound for Malden; at 7 past 7 we being on the Right of the Regiment  
fired the signal and the line was formed in front of the Parish Meeting House, after waiting  
until 7 past 9 o'clock. we were ordered by the Lieut Colonel to escort two Ensigns for the Reg  
Standards after performing that duty, we again formed in line, heard prayers and marched for the  
field, were inspected and found so. Columbian Guards should always be in perfect. After paying  
salute we were dismissed for one hour for refreshment, the line being again formed, after having  
fired we struck our tents, marched to Medford & saluted his Excellency the Governor, after the  
Regiment was dismissed we performed several Manoeuvres with accuracy, we then marched to  
town, arrived at 7 past 7 o'clock fired in the square, retreated to the Hall, after taking refreshment  
in our Armory & receiving the thanks of our Commander we were dismissed. The day was fine  
the Guards did not disgrace it.

October 10 1819. Friday even A meeting was called this even for the purpose of Business.

Voted to assess one dollar on account of Muster. Voted to choose an assistant Clerk S. J. D. - chosen

Voted to choose a Committee for the purpose of making such alterations in our By Laws as may be  
necessary. Capt Porter. Lieut Fiske. & Ensign Phelps. were chosen

Voted to meet three weeks from next Wednesday even at 5 o'clock. at Mag<sup>s</sup> Coffys & that  
seasonable notice be given at least 3 days previous & that the Committee report what alterations  
are necessary in our By Laws. & that the Clerk & Treasurer be requested to present an account  
of the Monies due & owing to the Company & how they stand.

Nov 10 1819. Wednesday even Met for Business. Mr W D Elliot & Saml C <sup>Elliot</sup> proposed for  
a mission by Mr B Blanchard

Mr John Curney having requested his dismission from the Columbian Guard. after  
stating that it was very inconvenient for him to attend on account of his business  
we did him an honourable discharge.



# Regimental Order

Charlestown Jan<sup>y</sup> 29 1820

The several Commanding Officers of Companies in the Fifth Regiment in which vacancies may exist are hereby required to give the necessary Orders for assembling their respective Companies on Tuesday the fifteenth day of February next, for the purpose of filling whatever vacancies now exist or that may happen on the day of Election as follows viz

The Company Ward No 2 Commanded by Capt Abijah Goodridge will assemble at Watts Tavern at one o'clock P.M.

The Warren Phalanx Commanded by Ensign Isaac B. Good at Coffin's Tavern at three o'clock P.M.

The Columbian Guards Commanded by Lieut John Old Hiske at Coffin's Tavern at four o'clock P.M.

Ten days notice must be given to the Electors & a return be made to the presiding Officer

(per Order signed)

William Fernald Col 5-1-3

Jas W. Newell Adj't.

Lieut John Old Hiske

Adj't. It will be well to notify the Members a little earlier than the time mentioned above.

To Sergeants J. C. Colby & Bailey & John Hobbs

You are hereby requested to notify the Members of the Columbian Guards to appear at the place and time & for the purposes above specified  
Signed John Old Hiske Lieut Comd'r  
Charlestown Jan<sup>y</sup> 30 1820

Charlestown Feb<sup>y</sup> 4 1820

The subscriber hereby certifies that all the Members of the Columbian Guards have been notified as above directed  
(Signed) J. C. Colby Clerk.

Meeting for the choice of officers at Maj Coffin's Tavern.  
In compliance with an Order issued by Lieut Old Hiske the Members of the Columbian Guards were by him notified to meet at Maj Coffin's Tavern in this Town on Tuesday the 15th day of Feb<sup>y</sup> 1820 at 4 o'clock P.M.  
Accordingly to this notice the Company met at the time & place above specified. Lieut William Fernald presided.

The following Gentlemen were elected

Officers viz

John Old Hiske Captain Unanimously.  
Lillie Phelps Sergeant do.  
Abram Bailey Jr Ensign do.

Friday Even March 17 1820

The Company met this evening at Whitney's Hotel for the choice of a sergeant & admission of members

Capt John Hiske called to the chair

After a few remarks from our Commander it was

Voted Unanimously to promote

the three present Sergeants

Voted to choose a Committee of three to nominate a suitable person to fill the office of fourth Sergeant J. C. Colby, J. Jenkins & A. Bailey Chosen.

The above Committee reported Isaac T. Duper as a suitable person.

Voted to accept the report and he was unanimously elected.

" " chose a Committee of three to present the thanks of the Company to our late Commander J. S. Porter. The three Commissioned Officers chosen

Voted to choose a Committee of four to report at our next meeting suitable persons to act as Corporals for the present year. J. Hobbs, J. T. Duper, J. C. Colby & E. Hadley chosen

Voted to add three to the present Committee for making alterations in our By Laws Elijah Hadley, Ensign Bailey & E. Thompson Chosen

Voted to choose a Committee of ten for the purpose of procuring members.

John Hobbs	Isaac T. Duper
John Jenkins	Charles Thompson
J. C. Colby	G. B. Carter
Benjamin Phipps	Wm. Dustin &
Elijah Hadley	Wm. Supts. Gentl'm Chosen

Proposed for Admission

Mr Wm. Wiggins Mr Fred. Lloyd.

" John Pierce " Miles Leary.

" William T. Pierce.

Voted to choose a Committee of five to report at our next meeting the most expedient method of paying for the balance due on our Order of Arms.

Capt Hiske, Lieut Phelps, Ensign Bailey, Quin Phipps & E. Hadley Chosen.

Voted to choose a Committee of six to report at our next meeting all persons who have not paid their fines or assessments. Mr Chas. Thompson Isaac T. Duper

Wm. Raymond J. Hobbs & Hadley & W. Dustin Chosen.

Voted that every Member present his book at the May Meeting for examination

After taking some Refreshment the Meeting was closed



# Constitution of the Columbian Guards

The following was adopted as the constitution of the Company, at its first organization. Its insertion has been hitherto accidentally omitted.

## Article first.

The Company shall bear the name and title of the Columbian Guards.

## Article second.

**Admission of Members.** Any person who may be desirous of joining the Company, must signify his wishes to some member; by whom he shall be proposed at one meeting at least, previous to that at which the question is to be decided, and if three fourths of the members present vote in favour of his admission, he shall become a member of the Company - Provided, that the Members received regular notice of the time and place of meeting.

## Article third. *Null - see next Page*

**Entrance Money &c.** Every member immediately after receiving notice of his admission, shall subscribe these Rules and Regulations; pay to the Treasurer one dollar for the use of the Company, and within one month provide himself with a good musket, equipments complete, and an uniform under the direction of the Officers.

## Article fourth.

**Uniform.** The Uniform of the Company shall be as follows: viz. A plain dark blue coat, double breasted, with gilt buttons; white waist coat; white pantaloons; half boots; round hat, with a black horse cockade, a yellow eagle in the centre; red morocco belt, and breast plate, with a small eagle. The badges of the non-commissioned officers shall be such as the Officers may direct.

## Article fifth.

**Choice of Non-Comm. Officers.** The Sergeants shall be elected at a meeting of the Company regularly called for the purpose, by a majority of the votes of the members present. The Corporals shall be chosen annually in April.

## Article sixth.

**Music.** It shall be the duty of the Commissioned Officers to procure such music on parade days, & at meetings for drill, as the Company may direct. - The expense thus incurred, shall be defrayed by assessment.

## Article seventh.

**Presiding Officer.** At all meetings of the Company, whether for military exercise, or the transaction of any other business, the senior officer present, shall preside; and the most strict attention shall be rendered to his commands in debates as well as military manoeuvres; and we do pledge ourselves to each other, that we will at all times and on all occasions support our officers in the correct performance of <sup>their</sup> duty, and that we will discountenance any improper and unsoldierlike conduct which may be discovered in any members.

## Article eighth.

Although it is the duty of every citizen to form an opinion with regard to the great and important political questions which may interest his country, & his privilege freely to express such opinion; yet inasmuch as we have associated ourselves together exclusively with a view to obtain a perfect acquaintance with military science, a correct knowledge of the whole duty of soldiers; as we are, & ought to be & continue, a military, not a political Company, and impressed with the belief that if we are disunited by disputes, from whatever cause they may arise, and especially, if we so far forget the duty of soldiers as to become politicians, instead of being attended with propriety, the Company will eventually be destroyed; we do therefore mutually and solemnly pledge ourselves, that we will not at any of our meetings declare in any manner whatsoever, our political opinions, neither in the elections which may hereafter be made of officers, will we suffer the political tenets of any candidates to have any weight on our minds in examining their qualifications, but will decide solely in reference to their characters as soldiers, and capacity to discharge the duties of the offices for which they may be nominated; and furthermore, this shall not be urged as an objection against the admission to the Company of any gentleman, who may be proposed.

## Article ninth.

**Dress of the Company.** It is hereby declared to be the duty of the Lieut and Ensign, whenever the Company shall assemble with their uniform, particularly to examine the dress of each member, and if negligence or deficiency with respect to any one article of the uniform of any member be discoverable, they shall make known in writing the same to the commanding officer, the name of such delinquent, who is hereby directed to impose the fine which is required by the fourteenth article of these rules.

## Article tenth.

**Orderly Sergeant and his duty.** It shall be the duty of the Orderly Sergeant to attend every meeting, and form the Company when ordered to appear for exercise; he shall instruct all new members, teaching them facing, wheelings, and the manual exercise; and he may call to his assistance any of the other sergeants or corporals, if he should deem it expedient.

## Article eleventh.

**Clerk and his duty.** One of the sergeants, other than the orderly, whom the commanding officer may select, shall be appointed clerk - whose duty it shall be to keep fair and correct rolls of the Company, together with the state of the arms and equipments of each man, which he must annually revise as the law requires; he shall record all orders and proceedings of the Company in an orderly book, which shall never be alienated from the Company, and shall be open at all meetings, for the inspection and examination of any member. In which he shall transcribe all details of detachments, and all orders received from the commanding officer; he shall give a written notice of their admission to all new members, state in the Company Book the time of their admission, and furnish them with a copy of these rules. When any member is regularly dismissed from the Company, he must give notice within one week, to the clerk of the standing company of the ward within which such member resides. - It shall furthermore be his duty at every meeting of the Company, to call the roll thereof within twenty minutes after the time at which they were ordered to assemble, to note such members as may be tardy or absent the whole evening; and within ten days to demand and recover such fines as arise from a breach of any of these rules, and within thirty days, to take necessary measures to recover all fines which may be



incurred by an infraction of the Laws of this state, under the penalty of five times the amount of each fine in the former case, and in case of omission to demand and recover fines of the latter description, he shall forfeit three dollars for every instance of such inattention. He shall keep a regular account book, in which he shall record the names of the members from whom he receives any fines, the amount of such fines, & for the breach of what law they were inflicted. - On receipt of money from any member, he shall immediately place it in the hands of the Treasurer, from whom he shall take receipts. - Further, the Clerk, when directed by the Commanding Officer, shall notify all the members of every meeting, by signing written or printed notifications, which he may distribute in equal parts among the Sergeants & Corporals; and it is declared to be their duty, immediately on their receipt, to deliver them to each member to whom they are addressed.

Article twelfth.

Treasurer and his duty. There shall be elected annually, or oftener if necessary, a Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to receive all monies from the Clerk, the receipt of which he shall record in a book kept for that purpose, with the time when such money is received; to keep correct accounts of all expenditures; to collect all assessments; to pay all bills, after they shall have been approved by a commissioned officer; and annually in April, to make and exhibit correct accounts of all receipts and expenditures, and of the money remaining in his hands, and pay over the same in such manner as the Company may appoint.

Article thirteenth.

Assessments. Assessments shall be imposed to defray all necessary expenses of the Company which may be incurred.

Article fourteenth.

Fines. Any non-commissioned officer or private, who shall absent himself from any meeting of the Company, or retire from the same before adjournment, without permission of the Commanding Officer, is tardy, or shall appear negligent in his dress, incur the following fines: -

For Nonappearance at first roll call on days of public parade, . . . . .	40 Cents
For Nonappearance at drills and other meetings, . . . . .	25 "
For Non " " first roll call at drills & other meetings, . . . . .	12 1/2 "
" Retiring from any meeting without leave of the Commanding Officer . . . . .	30 "
" Negligence or deficiency in any one article of dress, . . . . .	30 "

Article fifteenth.

The Commanding Officer is hereby directed to consider no excuse sufficient for non-attendance at Meetings of the Company for any purpose, whether for drill or the transaction of other Company business, except in case of confinement by sickness, or absence from town on a journey; - No excuse shall be received in case a member is not present at first roll-call but afterwards attends.

Article sixteenth.

Penal. Any member who shall neglect to pay his fines within the time mentioned in the 11th Article, and his assessments within twelve days, after being there to requested by the Clerk and Treasurer, shall by them, or either of them, be reported to the Company. Any member who may be guilty of dishonourable and unsoldierlike conduct,

shall be reported by the Orderly Sergeant to the Company. Any member who absents himself from six regular meetings of the Company in succession, and who does not furnish a satisfactory excuse to the Commanding Officer, shall be reported to the Company by the Orderly Sergeant. And if in either of the above cases, it shall be deemed expedient and proper to expel said member, and if on this question three fourths of the members present vote in the affirmative, such member shall be dismissed from the Company, and the Clerk shall give notice to the Captain of the Company within which such member resides.

Article seventeenth.

Notice of removals. If any member removes from the place at which his notifications are usually left, he shall give notice to the Clerk within eight days succeeding such removal, under the penalty of fifty cents for his neglect.

Article eighteenth.

Repeal or revision. No vote passed by the Company shall be repealed at a subsequent consideration of a vote. meeting, unless a greater number are present than at the time it was enacted, or unless a Majority of the Company are in favour of such repeal.

Article Nineteenth.

The name of any person who may hereafter be admitted to the Company, shall be annexed by each member to the list of names in his book containing these rules and regulations, under the penalty of twenty five cents for such neglect.

Article twentieth.

Stated Meeting. A meeting shall be called annually in the month of April, for the admission of members, and the transaction of any other business which may regularly come before the Company.

Article twenty first.

Committee to examine Treasurer's and Clerk's Accounts. At the Meeting of the Company in April, there shall be appointed a Committee consisting of two, who shall examine the Treasurer's and Clerk's Accounts, and present their report at a subsequent Meeting.

Article twenty second.

Standing Committee. There shall be elected annually in April a Standing Committee consisting of three, whose duty it shall be to settle all disputes which may arise in the Company; to make known to the Commanding Officer any dishonourable or unmilitary conduct of which any member may be guilty, and the infringement of any of these rules.

Article twenty third.

Secretary. At every Meeting for the transaction of Company business, the Clerk shall act in the capacity of Secretary, and he shall draw up on paper a correct account of the proceedings, & within two days thereafter, transcribe it on the records of the Company. In case of absence of the Clerk, a member shall be appointed to discharge the duty of Secretary, who shall on the day succeeding the meeting, present to the Clerk a true report of the proceedings, for insertion in the Company Book.



## Article twenty fourth.

Blotk empowered In case of neglect or refusal of any member to pay any fines which he may to recover fines. have incurred, or assessments regularly imposed, on demand made by the blotk and Treasurer within the times required by the 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> articles of these rules, they, or either of them, as it may be the duty of each, shall report the name of such delinquent to the Company at their next meeting; and if he still refuses to comply with their demand, it is declared to be the duty of the blotk, and he is hereby empowered to institute a suit in his own name, for the collection of such fines as may be due, for the use of the Company.

## Article twenty fifth.

Committees. Member first named The Member first appointed as one of any committee shall act to act as Chairman. as Chairman; and he shall give notice to the other members of the time and place of their meeting for the transaction of the business with which they are intrusted, and if he neglects to notify, he shall forfeit 50 cents; and if any member after receiving such notice, absents himself from the meeting, he incurs the same fine.

## Article twenty six

Discharge. Any member who may desire a discharge from the Company, must make written application to the Commanding Officer, in which he shall state the cause of his request, and it shall be laid before the Company at their next meeting, and if three fourths of the members shall deem his reasons sufficiently weighty and satisfactory, the applicant shall be honourably discharged. Within seven days, the blotk shall in writing give information to the Commanding Officer of the Company, to which the member discharged would regularly belong.

## Article twenty seventh.

Amendment of the Constitution. Any Amendment or Alteration of the constitution must be proposed one month at least, previous to that at which the question is to be decided, and if three fourths of the members of the whole Company vote in favour of the Amendment or alteration, it shall be in force accordingly.

## Article twenty eighth.

Meetings of the Company. The Commanding Officer is hereby empowered to order the Company to assemble for military exercise, or the transaction of Company business, at such times and as often as he may think necessary.

## Article twenty ninth.

Anniversary. As the tenth day of July is the Anniversary of the birth day of Columbus, the discoverer of our Country, from whom we have derived our name, we do agree that this day shall be celebrated as our Anniversary.

## Article thirtieth.

This Constitution shall be recorded in the Orderly Book, and subscribed by each member.

## Members Names.

John M. Fiske +  
Lillie Phelps +  
Abraham Bailey +  
John Wells +  
Solon Jenkins +  
John C. Colby +  
Isaac T. Duffee +  
James Houlstone +  
Thomas G. Fox +  
Joseph Nichols +  
James Colburn +  
Elijah Harkins -  
William R. Simpson +  
George Davidson -  
Charles Thompson -  
Deay C. Brown +  
Jacob Holt +  
Elias Farnsworth -  
William Raymond +  
George C. Carter -  
Thomas Dawley -  
Simpson Clark Wea +  
John W. Bowles +

Isiah Raymond L. +  
James Brazier +  
Samuel Champney +  
Benjamin Bland +  
Isaac D. Dutton +  
Elias Farnsworth +  
Frank Goring -  
Thomas Francis +  
Charles Foster +  
David Goodwin 3<sup>rd</sup> +  
James Hall +  
Benjamin Hinkley +  
Orph. Ingalls Jr +  
Robert J. Jones +  
Nath. Leavitt -  
Benjamin Mannin +  
Henry Merritt +  
Benjamin Shipp +

Henry Slade +  
John Perkins +  
David Smith -  
Thos. Sisk +  
Joseph Vinton +  
John Pierce -  
Amuel C. Gillat -  
Stephen Pierce -  
Jesse Potter +  
Wm. Brown +  
Thos. Bell +  
William Greene +  
Michael Patton +  
George B. Edwards +  
Edward H. Hodge +  
Jacob C. Stevens +  
Elisha Tower +  
Samuel B. Buttrick +  
Thomas J. Johnson +  
Hubbard C. Currier -  
Henry Davis -  
Orrin Holland +  
Nathaniel Aborn +  
David F. Lovell -  
John T. Stone -  
Frederick Carpenter Jr -  
John B. Melvin +  
Clark Reed -  
Levi Burgess -  
Ozard Pitch -  
Benjamin Smith -  
Isaac Pike -  
Thos. Bradley 3<sup>rd</sup> -  
George Packard -



John Dorr  
Abel Davis  
Jons of adley  
David Morphe  
Cheever L. Bunker  
Alpheus Fennibled  
Josiah Storer

John Dorr  
Lucius Kennedy  
George T. Hall  
Almoner Hitchcock  
Joel Abbott  
Samuel Halsey

Joseph Lawrence  
Charles Thompson  
David T. Botsen  
Winslow Luntord  
Phineas Humes  
Timothy D. Shaw

Ph. Richardson  
James Sawyer  
Benj. T. Cutting  
George B. Monroe  
Edward Dorr  
Thomson Pinnel

Thomas Andrews  
Josiah Davis  
Daniel S. Lewis  
Isiah Sheddard  
Samuel D. Pike  
Josiah Gurney

Caleb Pratt  
Thomas M. Duffee  
Samuel B. Shellington  
Thomas R. Page  
John C. Allen  
John B. Abney

John Crapo Jr  
Stillman Whitecomb  
Aaron Crowell  
Frederick M. P. Bragg  
Lyman Gilbert

W. H. Starbird  
John Smith  
Henry W. Hammett  
Eliot Leighton  
Edward S. Whorn

Samuel D. Fisher  
Thomas Wicks & Mark  
Robert Padden  
George W. Vester  
Leoman B. Fennell

Elbridge Jackson  
John J. Barker  
John Howard  
Geo. W. Miller  
John Emerson  
Charles F. Fendley

D. Snow  
James Caldwell Jr  
Thos. H. P. Pinn  
Joseph W. G. G. G.  
Thomas W. Payne

Leathel W. Phillips  
John C. Hancock  
Jonathan B. Parker  
Elbridge G. Woods  
James Mallon

John Smith  
Parker Norton  
Eleazar W. Upham  
William H. H. H.  
Henry G. H. H.

Stephen H. H. H.  
Washington Weather  
Henry Bacon  
James Miskelle  
Wm. S. Leonard

Selden Crockett  
Isaac W. Fennell  
Gardner Johnson  
John S. H. H.  
Joseph M. Doe

Edw. Lawrence  
Thomas Perry  
E. J. Cornell  
W. Sawyer



Tuesday Even April 4 1820

A meeting of the Columbian Guards was held at the Armory this evening. The Committee chosen at our last meeting for the purpose of nominating suitable persons to act as corporals, Reported - James Houlstone, J. G. Fox, Joseph Nichols & James Callburn. Voted to receive the report and they were unanimously chosen. Voted to choose two more corporals. Mr C. Carter & N. Tufts chosen.

Mr H D Eliot Mr J. C. Dean Gilbert

" J. Lloyd " John Peirce

" Miles Perry " Wm H Davis Admitted Unanimously.

Voted to choose a Committee to examine clerks & Treasurers acct S W Bowles and Joseph Nichols. Gentlemen chosen.

Committee chosen to settle disputes v v B Phipps. E Hadley & A Going. Mr Elijah Hadley re-elected Treasurer Unanimously.

Voted that the thanks of the Company be presented Mr E Hadley for the very faithful and correct manner in which he has discharged his duties the past year.

Mr David Whiting Mr Stephen Peirce

" Thomas Dowdy. " Jesse Potter.

" Wm Brown " Thomas Till

" Ezra Varney " Shadrac Varney.

" J. C. Rea. " George Gent Proposed.

Wednesday Even April 11 1820

A meeting of the Columbian Guards was held at Whitney's Hotel this evening when the following Gentlemen have Unanimously admitted.

Mr D Whiting Mr S Peirce Mr J Dowdy.

" J Potter " Wm Brown " J Till

" E Varney " S Varney " J. C. Rea.

" G. Vane.

Voted to choose a Committee of three to nominate an Assistant Clerk.

Reels, Bailey & Dubu chosen; who reported Wm Raymond & he was chosen.

Voted to meet for Drill next Wednesday even at 7 o'clock.

Mr Warren Hayden & Mr Sam Hunt proposed.

Wednesday Even April 19 1820

A meeting was held at the Armory this evening for Drill &c. The Committee chosen at our last meeting for the purpose of examining the Clerks & Treasurers Accounts. Reported that they had attended to the Duty assigned them & found the Clerks correct. On Application from Mr H. Miller it was voted unanimously that he be honorably discharged from this Company. Mr Warren Hayden was admitted Unanimously.

Mr Martin Leaboday proposed.

Voted to meet next Wednesday Even at 7 o'clock for Drill.

Mr Lemuel Cox received this day his discharge from the Columbian Guards agreeable to a vote passed April 4 1820.

Wednesday Even April 26 1820

A meeting was held at the Armory this even for Drill and admission of members. Mr Martin Leaboday. Mr Michael Dalton Mr Edward Delouse.

Mr Wm Green Mr Dickerson. Admitted Unanimously.



## Company Order.

Sergeants John Hobbs, John Perkins, & Isaac T. Dupree.

We directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at the Circus, in this town on Sunday the second day of May next at one o'clock, P. M. in uniform & with equipment complete for inspection.

(Signed) Mrs. M. G. Little

Charlestown April 24 1820

Capt of C. Guards.

## Return.

I hereby certify that all the members of the Columbian Guards have been duly warned and notified as above directed.

Isaac T. Dupree Clerk.

Charlestown April 27 1820.

May 2 1820 A Meeting for the purpose of Military Discipline & Inspection was held at the Circus this day. After performing the duties required by Law Mr Wm R Simpson & Mr Phelps were proposed for admission. A motion was made and seconded that Mr S. T. Dupree should attend to the numbering the snaphacks, racks &c & placing the boxes & belts in order.

May 10 Met for Drill & business Mr Wm R Simpson Admitted unanimously. Voted to meet every Wednesday and Friday evening for Drill until 17 June Voted to come out 17 June 12 o'clock sharp.

May 24 Met for Drill & business. A motion was made & seconded that the thanks of the Company be presented Mr John B. Colby for the faithful discharge of his duty as Sergeant & Clerk of this Company the year past & the elegant and useful ornament (desk) presented by him to the Company.

## Company Order.

To Sergeants John Hobbs and Isaac T. Dupree

You are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to appear at their Armory on Saturday the 17th day of June inst at 12 o'clock P. M. in uniform and with equipments complete for military duty. You will make return of your doings herein unto me before said day of Training.

(Signed) Mrs. M. G. Little

Charlestown June 6 1820.

Capt of Columbian Guards.

## Return.

I hereby certify that all the members of the Columbian Guards have been duly warned and notified as above directed.

Isaac T. Dupree Clerk.

Charlestown June 13 1820

June 17 Met for Company Training & performed the usual duty with a few exceptions. June 20 Mr George Edwards was admitted a member by a unanimous vote.

Tuesday Morning July 11 1820.

Met this Morning for drill. On motion of Friend Phelps, a vote was passed unanimously to transfer our anniversary from the 10th to some time in the fall.

A meeting of the Company was held at the Armory August 10th when a vote was passed to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Sergeants Dupree & Colby. A vote was passed to nominate suitable persons for candidates, when a Committee of seven were chosen for that purpose.

The following are.

Thos Manley  
Em Bayley " Henry Oliver  
John Hobb " David Smith  
Elijah Hadley "  
Edward Goodwin " Gentl Chosen.

Voted, to adjourn the meeting till Wednesday evening next at 7 1/2 past 7 o'clock.

Wednesday evening August 23rd.

A Meeting was held at the Armory this evening for filling the vacancies of the Company; the committee chosen at our last meeting reported Mr Benj Phelps & Mr Ch Thompson as suitable candidates for sergeants. Voted to receive the report.

Mr Benj Phelps was elected 3 sergeant by a unanimous vote. Wm Raymond was chosen 4th Sergeant.

A Committee was chosen to nominate a suitable person for a Corporal Mr E Hadley, Friend Phelps, Benj Hinckley, E Goodwin, Ch Pierce. Gentl Chosen.

Friday evening Sept 1st. The company again assembled at their Armory this evening for drill & Company business, the Committee chosen at last meeting. Reported that the Corporals should be regularly promoted. Also, Mr Thos Manley as a suitable person for a Corporal, and he was unanimously elected.

The company from the 1st May to the 17th June of the present year assembled twice each week for drill. In consequence of the heat of the weather they did not have a meeting for company exercise after 17th June until Sept 6th.

On the 6th Sept the company met for drill & company business. At this meeting the Committee, consisting of the commissioned officers, appointed to consider the expediency of amending the by laws of the Company, & propose such new articles as experience had proved to be necessary, recommended the following for the acceptance of the company which were unanimously adopted & were ordered to be recorded as a part of our existing constitution —

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## Additional Articles of our constitution.

Assistant Clerk & Collector } A member of the company whom the commissioned officers may select shall be appointed Assistant Clerk & Collector. It shall be his duty to aid the Clerk in the discharge of the duties required of him by the bylaws, & to collect such fines as he may be thereto ordered by the Clerk, & such assessments as the Treasurer may require. He shall receive from the Treasurer such bills against any member for assessments as he may wish collected, & without delay collect the amount which may be due, & immediately pay over the same to the Treasurer. As a compensation for his services he shall be exempted from the usual assessments imposed upon the company to defray their necessary expenses. The commanding officer is hereby authorized to present the member elected Ass. Clerk & Coll. a certificate of his appointment to that office which certificate shall be written on his warrant if he be Sergeant.

Art. 2<sup>d</sup> } Clerk's compensation } The Clerk shall be exempted from all assessments. This is considered full compensation for his services, & no other compensation whatever shall be allowed, & received by him.

Art. 3<sup>d</sup> } Armorer & his duty } At the annual meeting in April, & oftener if necessary, an armorer shall be elected by ballot. He shall have the charge of the armory, & its contents. He shall within ten days after entering upon the discharge of the duties of his office prepare a correct account of the arms, equipments, & all other property belonging to the company, & place the same in the hands of the Treasurer, upon the back of which he shall sign a receipt of the tenor following:

Charlestown \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ Anno Domini \_\_\_\_\_  
I, \_\_\_\_\_ Armorer of the Columbian Guard, do acknowledge the receipt of the arms & equipments mentioned in the within schedule. I hereby promise \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer of said company to deliver the same to them or their order, whenever thereto requested. The armorer shall have the key of the armory, which shall never be loaned to any person other than a member except he shall attend such person to the armory. It is further his duty to examine the arms & equipments of the company, & keep them at all times in good order & perfect repair & have a general superintendence of the armory & its contents.

Art. 4<sup>th</sup> } Status meeting } In addition to the status meetings required by the preceding laws, annually in the month of November, there shall be a meeting for the purpose of taking into consideration the pecuniary concerns of the company. The Clerk & Treasurer's books may be examined either at this or the April meeting as they may deem most expedient.

## Constitution continued.

Art. 5<sup>th</sup> } Armory } The arms nor any part of them shall be taken from the armory without a written order from the commanding officer. Any person who violates this preceding clause forfeits three dollars which the commanding officer shall order the Clerk to collect in the same manner other fines are collected. Any member who may, on days of public parade, or at a company meeting for drill, leave by permission of the commanding officer, shall, within two days thereafter, return his gun to the armory, & in case he neglects he incurs the same fine, which shall be collected in the same manner.

At the meeting of the company on the 8<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1820, it was unanimously voted that the thanks of the company be presented to Mr. J. J. Super for the fidelity & ability with which he had discharged the duties of Sergeant & Clerk. Captain J. M. Sigke was requested to communicate this vote to Mr. Super.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. the company appeared at their armory for drill. James Brazer was this evening discharged from the company without one dissenting vote, the said Brazer, in the opinion of the company, not being sufficiently acquainted with the art of the proper management of that little, but oftentimes unruly member, called the tongue. The Clerk was directed to give notice to the Captain of the company within whose bounds he resided, that for Brazer was no longer enrolled with the members of the C. Guard.

On the tenth day of Sept<sup>r</sup> orders were issued by Capt. J. M. Sigke to Sergeants, Hobbs, Shipp & Raymond to notify the company to meet at the Military Hall on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> at 12 o'clock, noon, in uniform & with equipments complete for military duty. Due return was made by the Sergeants, that notice was given as ordered.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1820. we met for drill, & company business. The Commander of the company, who has appointed a preceding meeting to give information to Sergeant Super of the vote of the company passed in approbation of his conduct, stated to the company that he had attended to the duty assigned him, & that he would read the letter he had written to Ser<sup>t</sup> Super, & his communication in reply. Both were read by Capt. Sigke. Whereupon it was ordered by the company that the letter of Capt. S. & the reply of Ser<sup>t</sup> D. be recorded in the company's orderly book.



Letter of Captain Sigke to Sergeant Dupree.

Sir,

Charlestown Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1820

At the meeting of the company last evening it was voted that the thanks of the company be presented to you for the fidelity & ability with which you have discharged the duties of the office of Sergeant & Clerk. In making you acquainted with this vote of the company ~~the company~~ permit me, at the same time, to present to you my personal acknowledgments of gratitude for your unceasing exertions to promote our common welfare as a company, and the valuable assistance you have rendered me in conjunction with the Commissioners & other warrant officers, in our united endeavours to give our favourite corps all the respectability in our power to bestow. Accept, my dear Sir, my best wishes for the restoration of your health, & success in all the business you may undertake.

Most truly,

Your friend,  
Minot Sigke

To Mr J. S. Dupree -

To this letter Capt Sigke received the following reply -

Respected Friend,

I received your polite note of the 7<sup>th</sup> inst informing me that a vote of thanks was passed at the last meeting of the Columbian Guard for the faithful performance of the duties formerly incumbent upon me as sergeant & clerk. Had not the overwhelming hand of disease attacked me I should have continued in the station in which I was placed by our favourite corps. But I have been obliged to submit to fate, & resign those offices in which it would have been my greatest delight to have remained. My health is yet bad, but any assistance I can render the Guard shall be cheerfully given. That the Guard may be prosperous in all their undertakings, & attain to the perfection so necessary to a soldier is my sincere wish. I cannot refrain from presenting my thanks to you, the officers & soldiers under your command for the marked attention & earnest inquiries respecting me while labouring under a fever & dangerous illness. It shall be ever remembered with a grateful heart. I beg you, Sir, to accept my best wishes for your prosperity & happiness, & remain,

Sincerely yours  
Wm J. Dupree

Capt John M. Sigke

Boston Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1820

Company Training

On the 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 1820. the Co. Guard appeared for training in compliance with the order of 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. After having spent the first part of the afternoon in the performance of the various company evolutions they returned to their armory. The appearance & conduct of every member on this day were perfectly satisfactory to both soldiers & citizens.

The 2<sup>d</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> was the last public parade day of the company this year. They met at 8 o'clock in the morning. In the forenoon they marched to the ground near Malden Bridge & spent it in target firing, & returned to the Military Hall & were dismissed at 1 o'clock.

The company reassembled at the same place at 2 o'clock P.M. Ever since the formation of the company they had been accustomed yearly, at one of their public parades to wait upon Col Fernald one of their finest friends. They did not omit this mark of friendly respect the present year. At 3 o'clock they gave this particular & valued friend a visit at his house in Water St. & performed the usual military salutations with much propriety & accuracy. The firing of the company at this, as well as all other trainings this year, and their manoeuvres were remarkable for their precision & accuracy.

They were politely invited by Col F. to partake of some refreshment, but Messrs Moody, Jenkins, Shippy & Raymond, & Treasurer Hadley had previously provided a collation at the Military Hall which prevented the acceptance of Col F's invitation.

After having gone through with their firing, & a variety of evolutions in the Square, they returned to the Military Hall. The Commander of the company addressed them, at considerable length, in approbation of their correct & soldierly conduct during the past year, & urged them to preserve that unanimity, & goodwill & harmony for which they had been eminently distinguished ever since the organization of the company.

The company afterwards partook of the refreshment provided by the Sergeant & Treasurer, with their old commander, Messrs Fernald & many others of their particular friends. May every other parade day of the company be passed as pleasantly & profitably.



## November Meeting

In compliance with the Constitution of the company the members were requested & did meet this evening (Nov: 20) at Coffey's tavern for the transaction of company business. The object of this meeting, as stated by our Commander, was to examine & consider the pecuniary concerns of the company. Messrs Jenkins, Parker, Leavitt, Hobbs & Bonley were appointed a committee to examine the Clerk & Treasurer's books, & present their report at a subsequent meeting.

It was further voted that a committee be appointed to nominate a suitable person for the office of armorer, required by the Statute of the new laws. Messrs Pierce, Phipps, & Bonley were appointed.

Capt. Dyer gave notice to the company that he had appointed Sergeant Benjamin Phipps, Clerk of the C. Guards, & that he had been qualified to discharge the duties of that office by taking the oath required by law. He also informed the company that the Commissioners officers, to whom their Constitution has delegated their authority, had appointed Mr William Raymond Assistant Clerk & Col. The members were requested to respect Messrs Phipps & Raymond in the discharge of the duties of their offices. The meeting was adjourned to Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>.

## December Meeting

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1820 the company met at Coffey's Hall, at 7 o'clock evening. The committee appointed at the last meeting to nominate a suitable person for the office of Armorer, recommended Mr Samuel Champney as a candidate. The company gave their votes, the whole number of which were for Mr C.

Capt. Dyer, chairman of the committee appointed to address Mayor Porter, & present the thanks of the company to him for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office of their Commander, informed the company that their committee had attended to the duty assigned them, & read the letter written by them & sent to Mayor P. with his reply. Afterwards it was voted unanimously that both letters be inserted in the records of the company.

It was also voted that the Clerk & Treasurer be directed to take measures forthwith for the collection of the moneys now due the company for fines & assessments.

All the business which requires the attention of the company having been transacted the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Major Jos. S. Porter's letter.

Charlestown Nov: 27<sup>th</sup> 1820

To the commissioned officers of the C. Guards. Please to lay before the members of your corps the following answer to your polite letter, which was received by me on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sept: last.

Gentlemen,  
It is with the utmost pleasure & satisfaction that I receive this pledge of your approbation of my conduct while acting as the Commander of the C. Guards. If I have discharged that duty to your satisfaction it is more than I could expect. The high standing to which you have attained may be attributed much more to the good conduct of its members than to the abilities of your humble servant. Be assured that so long as I continue on the stage of action so long I shall feel anxious for the prosperity & welfare of the C. Guards, & altho' called to a different station where my duty renders it improper for me to show partiality to individual corps, yet I trust I shall be enabled to discharge my duties to all, without withdrawing any friendship for either. I was with no small degree of diffidence that I accepted the office to which I was some time since elected, & altho' it is higher in grade, depend upon it I do not consider it more honourable, nor yet so pleasing as the command of a Light Inf<sup>y</sup> company; but in accepting that appointment I made a vacancy for one who is abundantly able & better qualified to take the command, one who was most instrumental in obtaining its charter, & who will ever support it with zeal & ability. There is certainly no one to whom the company is more indebted as a company than to its present commander, & I trust that the members will duly appreciate his former services by an uniform & steady adherence to his instructions. Much depends on the soldier for the respectability and good discipline of a company. A strict attention to the word, & a cheerful compliance with the orders of its officers will most assuredly gain the approbation of all military characters. Such was the character of the C. Guards when I had the honour to command them, & I trust they will never forfeit it so long as they continue in existence. That they may long continue an united band of citizen soldiers & an honour to that regiment of which they are now distinguished members, is the sincere wish of yours,

Friend & Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Jos. S. Porter.



Letter to Major J. S. Foster

Charlestown Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1820

Sir,

At a meeting of the Columbian Guard, the subscribers were appointed a committee to present to you the thanks of the company for the fidelity & ability with which you have discharged the duties incumbent upon you as their commander. It is with pleasure we can assure you, that we now address you in the performance of that duty.

If there is any person who merits the gratitude of our corps it is most certainly yourself. At the time you were called, by the unanimous voice of the company, to the office of Commander, most of us were inexperienced in the discharge of the Soldier's duty, & no inconsiderable theoretical as well as practical acquaintance with military science was requisite to give them that respectability which good discipline can alone acquire. While we are conscious that among other companies of our regiment the Columbian Guard hold a respectable rank, we trust, we know, they never can forget, & remembering will never cease to regard & esteem him, who has, in no ordinary degree, contributed to gain for them that eminence.

Called by the unanimous vote of the commissioned officers of our regiment to an higher & more honourable office than it is in the power of the members of our corps to bestow, you have resigned to another your former office with its duties. While, then, your duty, not circumscribed within the narrow limits of one company, extends to the whole regiment, while any undue partiality to any particular corps, or improper participation & interference in its private concerns would not pass without notice, & if noticed would deserve censure, yet, we trust you will not withhold from us your friendly advice & support, inasmuch as few would take offence in the discovery of your friendship for that corps, which you must ever regard, & to which your military skill, & zealous exertion have given most of the respectability which it may possess. Receive, then, the merited thanks of the whole company from us their committee, & in accepting their thanks, be pleased to receive our individual acknowledgments of gratitude for the many proofs you have furnished us that altho' the duties of a commander require no ordinary talents & skill for their proper discharge, yet you are equal to the task, & that to whatever station you may be devoted, it cannot be said the office gives all the honour to its possessor, & he none to the office. In conclusion we tender you the assurance of the sincere esteem & unalterable friendship of  
Mr Mott Lott, J. M. Hyde, L. Phelps & A. Bailey Jr.

Friday Even, April 13 1821

Yearly meeting of Company D Armory -  
Voted to choose a committee of three for the purpose of nominating suitable candidates for corporals E. L. Phelps, S. Perkins, S. W. Boutwell were chosen to report at next meeting.

Voted to choose a committee of two to examine the clerk's & Treas & Books E. L. Phelps & A. Bailey Jr were chosen to report at next meeting.

Voted to choose a committee to settle disputes &c. Phipps Hadley & Goring

Elijah Hadley was elected Treasurer Unanimously.

Voted the Company meet in sections for Drill to commence next Monday Even 7 o'clock.

Voted to choose a committee of eleven to procure members.

S. Fiske, S. Perkins, S. C. Fox, G. C. Carter, S. Pierce, S. C. Gilbert, W. Raymond, D. Wright, S. Hall, S. Chambray, S. Hobbs, Gent chosen.

The request of Messrs S. Collins & S. C. Collins for an honourable discharge was this evening granted them.

Messrs S. H. Stevens & Elisha Tower proposed for admission.

Voted to meet next Wednesday Even at 7 o'clock. Meeting then Adj'd.

Wednesday Even April 18

A meeting was held this evening at the Armory. The committee appointed to nominate suitable persons for corporals reported.

George C. Carter, Mr Tho' Manley, S. C. Leavitt & Mr Sam Chambray were chosen.

Committee appointed to examine the Clerk & Treasurer Books reported that they had found them correct.

Messrs S. C. Stevens & Elisha Tower admitted Unanimously.

Voted that the thanks of the company be presented to the Treasurer, Clerk & his Assistant for the faithful performance of their duty the past year.

The requests of Messrs S. Daymond and Tho' S. Parker for an honourable discharge was this evening granted them.

Messrs S. W. Boutwell & S. Labadie chosen Subalterns Corporals Unanimously.

Voted to expel Messrs Samuel A. Dickerson and Thomas Roach as unworthy members.

Adj'd to tomorrow 8 o'clock.

Thursday Even April 19

An adjourned meeting was held at the Armory this even.

Messrs S. S. Johnson & Sam Buttrick proposed.

Adj'd to tomorrow Even 7 o'clock.

Friday Even April 20

An adjourned meeting was held this evening.

Messrs S. Johnson and Buttrick admitted - meeting Adj'd.

Monday Even April 23

Meeting for Drill & Training -

H. C. Currier proposed

Adj'd to Thursday Even 7 o'clock.



Thursday Even April 26 1821

A meeting of the Company was held at the Armory this evening —  
Mr H. C. Currier Admitted Man —  
Mr Wheelock, Mr C. Furber  
Mr Henry Foster proposed for admission.

Company Order

To Serg<sup>t</sup> Hells, Jenkins, Phipps and Raymond  
You are hereby ordered and directed to notify and warn all the noncommissioned officers and soldiers belonging to the Columbian Guards Lt Col<sup>y</sup> Company under my command to appear at the military Hall in this Town on Tuesday the first day of May next at one o'clock P.M. with arms and equipments, as the Law directs, for Company Inspection —  
If they fail to do so, make due return before the day of appearance, with your doings herein, unto myself.  
Dated at Charleston the twenty first day of April A.D. 1821 —

(Signed) S. M. Fiske Captain

Return —  
This return certifies, that all the non-commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to the said Company, have been duly notified and warned, as above directed.

(Signed) Benjamin Phipps Clerk.

May 1<sup>st</sup> 1821. A meeting of for the purpose of Company Inspection was held this day. After performing the regular duties — Voted to receive Messrs Wheelock, Furber and Foster as members of the Company.  
Mr Wm Holland proposed —  
Voted to meet every Monday and Thursday evenings for Drill until July.  
Company was then dismissed.

Monday Even May 7 1821.

A Meeting of the Company was held at the Armory this evening —  
Mr Wm Holland Admitted Man —  
Messrs W. Burn, H. Davis & C. Bradley proposed —  
Voted to come out 15 June 8 o'clock in morning for Comp<sup>y</sup> Training —  
Voted the Mr Phelps and Hells provide each member with fifteen cartridges  
Voted to have five pieces music on that day.  
Mr Perkins rec<sup>d</sup> an honourable discharge —

Adj'd until Thursday Even

Thursday Even May 10 1821

A Meeting was held at the Armory this evening  
Voted to have a Company Training the 25<sup>th</sup> inst at one o'clock. Noon —  
Messrs W. Burn, H. Davis & C. Bradley Admitted Man —  
Voted to have four pieces music on that day.  
Not to discharge any more members this season —  
Meeting Adj'd

Monday Even May 14 1821

Company meeting at Armory this evening —  
Messrs Brown, Mora, Pope, & Thomas Frothingham proposed  
Adj'd to Thursday Even 1/2 past 1 o'clock.

Company Order

Serg<sup>t</sup> Hells, Jenkins, Phipps May mond  
Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at the military Hall in this town on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> May inst at one o'clock P.M. in Uniform & with equipments complete for military duty. They will make return of their doings herein to the Commandant on or before said day.

May 15 1821

S. M. Fiske Capt of C. Guards —

Return

This return certifies that all the non-commissioned officers & soldiers have been duly notified as above directed.  
May 25 1821 B. Phipps Clerk.

Thursday Even May 17 1821

Company meeting at Armory this evening —  
Messrs Brown, Mora, Pope & Thomas Frothingham Admitted Man —  
Proposed for admission Mr Haskell Batch —  
Adj'd to Monday Even 1/2 past 7 —

Monday Even May 21 1821

Meeting for Drill & Business —  
Mr H. Bates Admitted  
Mr G. Thompson proposed —  
Adj'd to Thursday Even

Thursday May 25 1821

Met for Company Training at 10 o'clock  
Mr G. Thompson was this day admitted a member Man —  
Voted to meet for drill on the mornings of the two Election days at 1/2 past 4 o'clock, & omit the regular Evening Drills.  
~~Adj'd to this day~~

Company Order

Serg<sup>t</sup> Hells, Jenkins, Phipps May mond  
Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at the military Hall in this town, on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June next at 8 o'clock A.M. in Uniform and with equipments complete for military duty — They will make return of their doings herein on or before said day.

May 25 1821

(Signed) S. M. Fiske Capt of C. G.

Return

This return certifies, that the non-commissioned officers and soldiers belonging to the said Company have been duly notified and warned as above directed.  
Charleston June 10 1821 (Signed) B. Phipps Clerk.



# Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill

The 17<sup>th</sup> June being Sunday the several military companies of this town paraded on the Monday following in commemoration of the battle of Bunker Hill. Our Corps met at the Military Hall at 8 o'clock in uniform. Fifty one private members of the Corps appeared this day. The forenoon was spent in drill and company manoeuvres. At 11 o'clock the company in compliance with the invitation of their Commander, partook of a collation provided by him, at the House of his Father in Beach Street. Afterwards the Company was dismissed till two o'clock. The Company again formed and marched to Richardson Tavern at the creek, after passing a short time in the practice of the company manoeuvres, they formed in line with the other military companies of the town under the command of the Senior Lt Col Commander Capt DeBlois, our company taking their place on the left. The battalion then marched thro' the principal streets in town to the Monument Hill, in front of which they went through the firings. marched to the Square and the command of each company was returned to its Commander. After spending an hour in the performance of the company manoeuvres and firings, the company marched to their Armory and were dismissed. The soldierlike appearance of the company, the correctness with which their manoeuvres were performed and the remarkable precision of their firings and in short the strict and cheerful obedience and attention of every member were highly creditable to the Corps and could not but give them an elevated standing in comparison with the other companies that day on duty. Officers and soldiers of the Corps were perfectly satisfied with themselves and each other.

Messrs John C Bradley and George M. Howle were this day proposed for admission.

Thursday Evening July 12 1821 A.M.  
A meeting of the Company was held at their Armory this evening.  
Voted to meet for Company Training next Monday at 12 o'clock.  
" to have five pieces of music.

Friday Evening June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1821  
A meeting of the Company was held at their Armory this evening.  
Mr Wm Cook. Mr Wm Horton  
" George Banister " Dudley Leavitt  
" Mr F Whitney " Smart proposed.  
Adj'd till Friday Evening next ~ 8 o'clock

Friday Even June 29 1821.

A meeting was held at the Armory this evening when the following gentlemen were admitted members.  
Mr Wm Cook. Mr Dudley Leavitt  
George Banister Smart  
Mr F Whitney. George M Howle.  
Mr Horton

The following gent were proposed for admission  
John Moses Tufts Mr Joseph Lowe  
Voted to expel from the Company the two following  
H B Eliot and S W Pickburn.  
Adjourned till next Friday evening.

Friday Even July 6

The Company met at their Armory this evening and admitted  
John Moses Tufts & Moses Tufts & Susan  
Adj'd till Friday Even next

Friday Even July 13-

Met this evening according to adjourn when Mr Otis Prescott and Horatio Cogswell were proposed to wear crape on the left arm thirty days as a token of respect to Mr Horton who died this morning  
Aged 21 Years.

In the death of this young gentleman his friends have lost an associate endeared to them by the integrity of his character his amiable disposition and his gentlemanly deportment. Society has been deprived of a member who promised to become useful and valuable. He lived respected and beloved and died universally and sincerely lamented. His remains were removed to Salem his native place and there interred.

Friday Even Aug 10 1821

The Company met at their Armory this evening and admitted the following gentlemen unanimously.  
Mr Otis Prescott Mr Horatio Cogswell  
Mr Joseph Lowe.

A proposition was made by a member respecting drill times.  
Voted to meet next Thursday evening at 20 minutes before 8 o'clock.  
Meeting then adj'd.

Thursday Even Aug 18

A meeting was held at the Armory this evening.  
Mr Nathl Austin Mr S. L. C. & Amee were proposed  
Voted to meet next Friday Even 8 o'clock.  
Meeting then adj'd.



Friday Even Aug 24 1821

At a meeting of the company held at the Armory this even Mr Son a Priest was proposed for Admission Mr Nath Austin and S. L. C. Amee were admitted Unanimously. Voted to adjourn until Wednesday Even Sept 5

Wednesday Even Sept 5 1821

A meeting of the company was held at their Armory this evening. Mr Son a Priest admitted Unanimously.

Voted to meet for company Training on Wednesday Sept 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 o'clock.

Voted to have five pieces music on that day.

Voted to have six rounds of cartridges

Voted to have asseps 75 per on that day

### Company Order

Sergt Hobbs, Jenkins, Phelps Raymond

Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at the Military Hall in this town on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept next at 12 o'clock noon in uniform and with equipments complete for military duty. They will make return of their doings herein on or before said day. Wm Charleston Sept 8 1821

(Signed) S. M. Fiske Capt C. G.

### Return

This return certifies that all the non commissioned officers and Privates belonging to the said company have been duly warned as above directed. Wm Charleston Sept 12 1821

(Signed) B. Phelps Clerk.

### Company Training

Wednesday Sept 12 1821

In compliance with the Order of the 5<sup>th</sup> inst. the Columbian Guards appeared for training. After passing a part of the afternoon in the company manoeuvres they returned to the Armory. The conduct & soldierlike appearance of each individual this day was both satisfactory to themselves & to the citizens of this town.

Wednesday Even Sept 19 1821

The company met at their Armory this evening at the usual hour. Voted to choose an adjutant for the company. Voted to choose a committee of three to nominate a suitable person. S. M. Fiske, S. L. Phelps & Geo Carter Gent Chosen. Voted to meet next Wednesday even.

Wednesday Even Sept 26 1821

At a meeting of the company held at their Armory this even, the committee chosen at our last meeting reported Mr John Hobbs and he was accordingly chosen Adjutant of the Columbian Guards.

Voted to choose a committee of three to wait on Mr Dupes and request him to resume his station according to the date of his warrant.

Capt Fiske Lieut Phelps.

Adjutant Hobbs Gent Chosen

Voted to meet Friday Even Oct 5

Meeting then adjourned.

Friday Even Oct 5 1821

At a meeting of the company held at their Armory this evening it was

Voted to come out on the 15<sup>th</sup> for the practice of target shooting.

Voted to choose a committee of six for the purpose of procuring signers.

Isaac S. Dupes Milo Furber

Geo C. Carter John Jenkins

Wm Brown and John H. Bailey Chosen

Voted to have two papers drawn by the chairman of the above committee.

Voted to adjourn till next Monday evening.

Monday Evening Oct 8 1821

A meeting of the company was held at their Armory this evening.

Voted to have six <sup>Drum</sup> Cartridges each for the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Voted to have six pieces music. Voted to choose a committee who will use their best endeavors to procure signers to defray the expense of music &c.

Dupes Phelps.

Jenkins Davis

Phelps and Raymond Gent Chosen.

Voted to adjourn till Monday Next 12 o'clock.

Monday Oct 15 1821

The company appeared at their Armory this day in full uniform. At one o'clock they marched to Craig's Point after passing an hour in the practice of target shooting, they repaired to their tents and partook of a collation after which they marched to Charleston & passed the remainder of the afternoon in company manoeuvres then marched to the Armory & were dismissed.

Today John Hobbs was unanimously chosen Ensign of the Columbian Guards and accepted the trust.



Charlestown Monday Evening April 1<sup>st</sup> 1822

A meeting of the members of the company was held at Capt's this evening. A Committee chosen at a previous meeting to examine the books and Treasurers Ac's reported them correct. Mr & Hadley was unanimously re-elected Treasurers. Mr Southwick and Mr Francis Cutler proposed for Adjuts. Standing Committee for the year Mr Bowler, C Parker and Fairbanks. Messrs W and S Swift were honourably discharged this evening. Voted to meet at Armory next Friday Evening.

Friday Evening April 5<sup>th</sup> 1822

Met at the Armory this evening and proceeded to the choice of Sergeants and Corporals.

Mr John Jenkins Adjutant  
Mr Isaac T. Duper first Sgt. Mr Wm Leavitt second -  
Mr Geo C Cutler third.

Going, Mansur, Oliver, Dutch, D Leavitt and D Smith Capt. Joseph S. Southwick, F Cutler with Gay admitted men.

Wednesday Evening April 10<sup>th</sup> 1822

A meeting was held at the Armory this evening when the following gentlemen were admitted as members.

Dean Barnes Benj. Pike Aaron Bennet  
John T. Stone and Sam Smart.

The following gentlemen were honourably discharged  
Edmund Wiley, Thos Manley, and Mr Dalton.  
Adj'd to Friday Evening.

Friday Evening April 12<sup>th</sup> 1822

At a meeting of the company at their Armory this evening

Mr Sam C Champion was chosen Armorer  
Voted to dispense with drill this season.  
Adj'd to ~~Friday~~ <sup>Wednesday</sup> Evening next.

Wednesday Evening April 24<sup>th</sup> 1822

The members met at their Armory this evening and admitted Messrs Sabers Sumner and John C Barnes. Voted to meet for drill next Wednesday Evening.

Wednesday Evening May 1<sup>st</sup> 1822

A meeting of the company was held at their Armory this evening when

The following gentlemen were admitted  
Mr Smith Ezra Fitch John Cotton John Davis  
Simon Hussey.

Voted to adjourn to Friday Evening.



# Company Order

Sergeants Jenkins, Dupre, Raymond and Leavitt

Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at their Armory on Sunday next the 7th day of May at one o'clock P.M. in uniform, and with equipments complete for Company inspection.

(Signed)

Chittown April 29 1822.

J M Fiske Capt.

## Return

I hereby Certify that all the members have been notified as above directed.

Isaac S. Dupre Clerk P.S.

Chittown May 7 1822

Tuesday May 7 1822

In compliance with the above Order a meeting of the company met for inspection. After performing the various duties required by Law, they were marched by the Commander to the Training Field, after spending an hour in drill under the Sergeant they were marched to the Hall.

Voted to meet Wednesday Evening May 15 for drill. Voted to discharge Henry Blanchard for Ungentlemanly Conduct. After a few remarks from the Commander they were dismissed.

Wednesday Evening May 15 1822

At a meeting of the company held at their Armory this evening two Gentlemen were proposed.

Wm. Hodge and Saml. Blanchard.

Adjourned Wednesday Evening May 22

Wednesday Evening May 22 1822

At a meeting of the company this

Evening

Messrs. Blanchard and Hodge were admitted unanimously. Voted to meet next Wednesday Morning 4 o'clock.

" " have three pieces music.

" " Six rounds of Cartridges.

Adj. to Wednesday Morning

Wednesday Morning May 29 1822

The company met at their Armory this morning for drill and business.

Wm. Dean was admitted a member unanimously.

Voted to have a public parade on Thursday 5th of June 8 o'clock.

Voted to have five pieces music, twelve rounds of cartridges.

Voted to lay an assessment of 50¢ to defray the expenses of the day.

# Company Order for June 5th 1822

Sergeants Jenkins and Dupre.

Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at the Military Hall in this Town on Thursday 5th June next at 8 o'clock morning in uniform and with equipments complete for Military Duty. - The notifications must be delivered to the members by the Sergeants personally.

(Signed) J M Fiske Capt.

Chittown May 30 1822

## Return

I hereby Certify that all the members have been notified as above directed.

Chittown June 5 1822

Isaac S. Dupre Clerk P.S.

Thursday June 5 1822

The Company met this day in compliance with the above Order and paraded under their Lieut (Shelby) after passing the facton in the practice of the various company maneuvers with credit to themselves and the officer who commanded them they repaired to the Hall & were dismissed for one hour. They again formed in the afternoon and marched to Boston, after taking some refreshments at Washington Gardens they returned to Chittown and were dismissed. The Commanding Sergeant were this day absent, the latter on account of ill health.

# Company Order for June 17.

Sergeants Jenkins, and Raymond

Are directed to notify the members of the Columbian Guards to appear at the Military Hall in this Town on Monday 17th June instant at one o'clock P.M. in uniform, for Military Duty. Will distribute the notifications equally as may be between them, and in person deliver them to each member.

(Signed)

J M Fiske Capt.

Chittown June 8 1822

## Return

I hereby Certify that all the members have been notified as above directed.

Chittown June 17 1822

Signed

Wm. Raymond Clerk.

Friday Evening June 14 1822

A meeting of the company was held at their Armory this evening it was

Voted to suspend the By-Laws and admit Geo. Packard, J. H. Boyd, Saml. Merrill and William as members.



Charlestown June 17 1822

The company paraded at the ~~the~~ house specified by their commander and marched to Richards Tavern on the road after partaking of refreshment provided by the sergeants they again formed, after another shout in company manoeuvred they formed in line with the Lt Infantry, Artillery & the band Companies of Ch'town, the whole under the command of Capt DeBlois marched thro' the main St to the square and thro' the firings and manoeuvre with accuracy, the Companies were again given up to their respective commanders, and in about time marched to the Hall and were dismissed.

Charlestown Wednesday Evening Aug 7 1822

The members met at their Assembly this Evening, Voted to dispense with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article of their By Laws, when the following Gentlemen were proposed and admitted

John Barker      Isaac Barker      Reuben Bemis  
 Rufus W. Clary      Wm Shirley      Abel Davis  
 Henry Knox      Alexander Hampton      and John Saxton

They then adjourned without date -

Wednesday Evening Aug 28 1822

At a meeting of the company, at their  
 Army this evening the following gentlemen were present for a  
 show

Clark Reed Jonas Hadley Norton Pope  
Samuel Webster and David Howell.

Adjourned to Wednesday even Sept 11-

Wednesday Evening Sept 11/1822

The members met at their armory this evening for drill and business.

Vote to choose a committee for the purpose of procuring carriages, powder, baggage wagon and making all necessary arrangements for the next muster 12<sup>th</sup> October -

Dupre, Jenkins, & Leavitt & Lieut Phelps Committee chosen -

The following Gentlemen were admitted as Members.

Clark Reid, Thomas Hadley Norton Pope  
Daniel Webster and David Howell

After a few remarks from Capt. Pike the business meeting was adjourned to next Wednesday Evening. 7 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Sept 18 1822

Wednesday evening Sept 18 1866 At a meeting of the Company at  
Armory this evening, the following gent were admitted

Levi Burgess Frederick Carpenter

Isaac Pike

Voted to have Company Parade 15th Oct

" " " fine pieces music - voted to meet twice a week for Drim

Company Order

Sergeant Isaac T. Dupre

Will notify all the Non Commissioned  
Officers and Privates belonging to the Columbian Guards - 1st  
Co. Company to meet at the Military Hall in Charlestown on  
the morning of the 8<sup>th</sup> of October next at 4 o'clock completely equip-  
ped for Military Discipline, Inspection and Review.  
You will also warn them to meet at the Military Hall  
in Charlestown on the 15<sup>th</sup> Oct next at 12 o'clock ~~am~~ <sup>pm</sup> equipped  
for Military Duty - ~~be~~ <sup>See</sup> Sure of fail not and make due  
return of your doings herein unto myself

Charlestown Sept 19 1822.

(Signed) Elisha L Phelps Lieut Commr

Return

This return certifies that all non commissioned officers and Privates belonging to the Columbian Guards have been duly notified as above directed.

Charlestown Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1822

Isaac T. Loupee Clerk *FD*

Wednesday Even Sept 25 1822

At a meeting of the Company was held  
in their Armory this evening for Drill, the evening was spent prof-  
itably. At 10 o'clock adjourned.

Wednesday Even Oct 2 1822

A meeting was this evening held for Drills

Voted to choose a Committee of three to address Major Drake and express to him our thanks for his invaluable services from our first information to his appointment as Major

Lieut Phelps Insign Hotts - and J. T. Dupuy Gent chosen -

voted To ass<sup>ess</sup> two dollars on trustee door 8<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup>.

Adj. D. D. Friday Evening 7 Octbr.

Friday Evening Oct 3 1822.

The Company met at their ceremony this Evening  
 Once after spending a few Hours  
 Adj'd To Tuesday Morning next

Adj'd To Tuesday Morning next



Tuesday Morning 4 o'clock Oct 1822

The Company met at their Armory this morning, present forty nine, they proceeded to Watertown in company with the Blues and Phalanx, after forming the line under the Command of Lieut Col Porter, they marched to Waltham and formed in line with Brigade under Brig General Farbell they were inspected and received the thanks of their General for their correct and soldierlike appearance. The forepart of the day was very stormy but the after part was pleasant after the time was dismissed, the company proceeded home, after arriving at their armory, it was

voted to shoot the target at our parade on Tuesday next

voted to assess one dollar.

voted to choose a committee of five to make all necessary preparations for the day and a Supper in the evening

Dupree, Phelps, Jenkins, B Brown Co and J C Carter Gent chosen

### Regimental Orders

Charlestown Oct 1822

Lieut E L Phelps will assemble the Columbian Guards under his command to meet at Simeon Gopps Tavern on Monday the 20th inst at 4 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a Captain and filling any other vacancy that may then happen

Seven days notice must be given the electors and a return of this order be made to the providing officer at the time and place appointed

In order of Wm Fairbald Col

Signed J C Haynes Adj't 5th B Co

### Company Order

Sergeant Isaac S. Dupree

Will notify all the non Commissioned Officers and Privates belonging to the 6th Co of Company of C. Guards to assemble at Gopps Tavern in Ch'town on the 20th inst at 4 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a Captain, and filling any other vacancy which may then happen

In order of Wm Fairbald Col 5th B Co

Signed Elisha L Phelps Lt Com

Return - All the members have been notified I. S. Dupree O. S. - L. G.

Charlestown Oct 15th 1822

The Columbian Guards paraded for the last time this season. they spent the after part of the day in the practice of Target Shooting, at Brazer Point. they then returned to Ch'town through Boston after spending a short time in company manoeuvres in the square they returned to the Armory and deposited their Arms and Equipments after a few remarks from Lieut Phelps it was unanimously voted to discharge Mr Jonas Hadley an unworthy member. they then marched to Whitney's Tavern where an elegant Supper was provided. fifty one persons including Major Hoke our late Commander, the evening was spent in a pleasing and agreeable manner; many songs were sung and sentiments expressed, and music frequently added more pleasure to the scene

Monday Oct 25 1822

The Company according to order met this day at 4 o'clock P. M. at Gopps Tavern for the choice of Officers Lieut E L Phelps was chosen unanimously and declined accepting the office of Capt

John Hobbs was then unanimously chosen Capt & accepted John Jenkins was elected Adj't & accepted

A Committee of ten was chosen to report at our next meeting some suitable Uniform for the company

Hobbs, Jenkins, Dupree, A Leavitt, Carter, Phelps, B Brown, E C Parker, S C Gilbert & Going, Gent Chosen

Monday Evening Dec 9 1822

A meeting of the Company was held at Whitney's Hotel this evening. It was voted to accept the report of the Committee respecting a new Uniform. A Committee of eight was chosen to procure subscribers

Hobbs, Jenkins, Dupree, Going, A Leavitt, Carter, S C Gilbert, Gent Chosen

voted to choose a Committee to examine A. R. Throckmold

Hobbs, Jenkins, Going -

voted to choose a Committee to select Candidates for

Hobbs, Jenkins, A Leavitt

Adj'd to Monday 23rd inst



Charlestown January 8th 1823.

A meeting of the company was held at Whitneys Hotel this evening. The Committee chosen to examine acct<sup>s</sup> reported them correct. Voted that H. Dutch receive such equipments from the Armory as belong to him and that the amount he owes the company be given him.

Voted that Hadley, Farnsworth, and Going be a Committee to wait on & inform Mr Dutch of the above vote.

The Committee chosen, nominated W. S. Dupre as Treasurer and he was elected unanimously.

Voted that W. S. Lowley, Carter and Bradley be a Committee to procure New Belt & Boxes for the Company.

Voted that Serg<sup>t</sup> Dupre, Capt Hobbs and Ensign Jenkins be a Committee to procure the Caps and Ornaments.

Voted that Serg<sup>t</sup> Dupre, M<sup>r</sup> Going, Dove, Mansin & Gilbert be a Committee to procure the Coats, Pantaloons &c.

Voted that Elias Farnsworth be Armorer.

Voted that Jacob Holt & David Buttram be honourably discharged from the Company.

The meeting was then adjourned sine die.

## Regimental Orders.

Charlestown March 19 1823

Capt John Hobbs will assemble the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Company of Columbian Guards under his command at S. Whitneys Hotel on Friday the fourth day of April next at one O'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a Lieut and filling any other vacancy that may then happen.

Seven days notice must be given to the electors and a return made to the presiding officer at the time and place above mentioned.

for Order

(Signed) Jos S Porter Lt Col Com

(Signed) G. L. Haynes Adj<sup>t</sup>.

1<sup>st</sup> Reg & Brig 3<sup>rd</sup> Div.

## Company Order.

To Sergeant Isaac S. Dupre

You will notify and warn all the members of the Columbian Guards to meet at Whitneys Hotel on Charlestown on Friday the fourth day of April next at one O'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a Lieut and filling any other vacancy that may then happen - make due return of your doing herein unto myself.

Boston March 19 1823 - Signed, John Hobbs Capt<sup>2</sup>

## Return.

All the members of the Columbian Guards have been notified as above directed.

April 4 1823

Isaac S. Dupre Lieut A.S.

Sunday Evening March 27 1823.

A meeting of the company was held at Whitneys Hotel this evening at 7 O'clock.

Capt John Hobbs presiding.

After calling to order it was voted to do away Article 2<sup>nd</sup> of our Constitution for this evening and the following gentlemen were unanimously admitted members.

Lucius Kennedy, Eben<sup>r</sup> Hitchcock, G. S. Hall.

Voted to choose a standing Committee for the year.

S. Lowley, Isaac Going and Sam<sup>l</sup> Gilbert.

Voted to choose a Committee of three to select candidates for the Offices of Lieut and Ensign.

Dove, S. Lowley & S. Hobbs, Committee.

After a recap of five minutes the Committee reported.

Solon Jenkins for Lieut Isaac S. Dupre Ensign.

Voted to accept the report. Meeting then adj<sup>d</sup>. Friday next.



Friday noon April 4<sup>th</sup> 1823  
The company met at Whitney  
Hotel this day for the choice of a Lieut. &c.

Col<sup>d</sup> Porter presiding  
Order they proceeded to ballot for Lieut. & Ensign  
After calling the meeting to  
Order they proceeded to ballot for Lieut. & Ensign

John Jenkins was elected Lieut. Unanimously

Isaac S. Dupree " " Ensign " declined

Shadrac Varney " " Ensign " accepted

They then proceeded to the choice of an adjutant & 4 Sgts

Isaac S. Dupree Adj<sup>t</sup> Major

Nath Leavitt 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt Geo Carter 2<sup>nd</sup>

Abner Going 3<sup>rd</sup> Stephen Pierce 4<sup>th</sup> Sergeants  
Corporals.

John Cowley 1<sup>st</sup> John Pierce 2<sup>nd</sup>

Henry Oliva 3<sup>rd</sup> Geo Packard 4<sup>th</sup> Capt

Carlton Parker, David Mellen, and Wm S Whitney received  
honorable discharges this day.

Voted to meet next Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock for drill.

Wednesday Even<sup>g</sup> April 9 1823  
The company met at their Armory  
this evening for drill & business.

The following Gent were admitted  
Benben Mose Joel Abbot Josiah Stoddard  
Wm O French & Charles French.

John W Bowles received this evening an honorable discharge  
& John Furnessworth.

Hollis and Otis Pratt were this evening admitted  
as Musicians of the company.

Samuel C Gilbert & John Dorr were chosen 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Capt this evening  
instead of Oliver Packard who declined.

## Company Order.

To Isaac S Dupree

You are hereby required to warn all the non  
Commissioned Officers & Privates, enrolled in the Company under  
my Command to appear with the Arms & Equipments required  
to be at the Military Hall in Charlestown on Thursday  
the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon  
for military duty & inspection -  
Hence, fail not and make  
due returns of your doings herein unto myself.

Boston April 25<sup>th</sup> 1823.

(Signed) John Holts Capt

## Return.

This certifies that all the non Com<sup>d</sup> Officers & Privates  
have been notified according to orders.

May 5 1823

Isaac S. Dupree O.S.

Charlestown May 5 1823

The company met agreeable to  
Orders were inspected & found perfect, the Orders were  
then read to them, after which they proceeded to the  
Training Field & passed the afternoon in Company  
Manoeuvres, they then returned to the Hall & were dismissed.

The company this day made their first appearance  
in a new Uniform, & with new Equipments, which  
were neat & elegant. The officers of the company are all  
young officers; those the Lieut, Adjutant & orderly were  
absent in consequence of sickness.

Evening May 20 1823 The Company met at their Armory  
for Drill & business. The following Members admitted

Abner Pierce - James Haskins - & Allen Beacon

Voted - Stimson be our Banner with the  
sum of 75 Dollars. Mr Stimson accepted  
Voted to give Wm Hollis an honorable Discharge  
Voted to come out on Wednesday Morning May 28  
& take Breakfast at Messer in Cambridge  
Voted - Messrs Carter & Dowley be a Committee to  
procure Breakfast  
Voted to Assess 1 Dollar



Monday Morning May 28 1823

Agreeable to Vote the Company met at 6 O'clock at their Armory when formed, marched to Messer and partook of Breakfast served up in elegant style

After Breakfast performed some Military Manoeuvres with precision; then Marched through Boston back to Charlestown; where, after going through Evolutions of Drilling with precision & honor to the Company returned to the Armory

Voted - every Member who should not attend Evening Drills should pay 25 Cents  
Voted to meet on Wednesday Evening June 4<sup>th</sup> 1823 for Drill

Wednesday Evening June 4

The Company met at the Armory agreeable to vote for Drill & Business

Voted that every Member who incurs a fine for non appearance pay his fine at the next meeting of the Company

Monday Evening July 28<sup>th</sup>

The Company met at the Armory on Business

Voted that  
Samuel Hakey  
Sergeant Davis  
Samuel Harrison  
Isaac Smith - - - Musician  
Be Members of this Company

Voted that the Company meet at the Armory on Friday August 8<sup>th</sup> at one O'clock, P.M. without Uniform for Drill

August 8<sup>th</sup>

Agreeable to Vote the Company met  
but 16 Members present

Voted not to go out of the Hall  
Voted to meet on Monday Evening Aug 18<sup>th</sup>

Monday Evening Aug 18  
The Company met at their Armory  
Voted to meet on Friday Evening 22<sup>nd</sup>

Friday Evening 22<sup>nd</sup>

The Company met at their Armory - formed and marched out into the Training Field where they went through many Manoeuvres to the satisfaction of every one present & returned to the Armory at 10 O'clock  
Voted that the Company meet on Monday Ev<sup>g</sup> next

Monday - Evening 25<sup>th</sup>

The Company met at their Armory for Drill  
Voted that we come out on Thursday Sep 4<sup>th</sup> for Company Training

Company Order

To All who Go

You will Notify all the Members of the Co Guard to meet at the Town Hall on Thursday Sep 4<sup>th</sup> at 12 O'clock for Company Training, in Uniform complete

Hereof fail not & make due returns of your duty herein unto myself

Boston Aug 28 - 1823 - Signed John Hobbs Capt.

Return

All the Members of the Columbian Guard have been notified agreeable to your Order

Aug 30 - 1823 - Signed Abner Going Capt

Sep 4 1823 The Company met at the Town Hall at 12 O'clock 28 Members present upon forming Marched out of the Hall to the Training Field and after going through some Manoeuvres Marched to Boston and partook of a handsome Lunch by Gen<sup>l</sup> Jenkins afterwards Marched to Congress Point where we were again entertained by a handsome Lunch by Gen<sup>l</sup> Carter afterwards displayd many Military Manoeuvres with honor to the Company & returned to the Hall  
Voted to meet every Friday Evening till Muster



Friday Evening Sep 12

The Company met this Evening for Drill  
Agreed the 15<sup>th</sup> Int

Sunday Evening Sep 14  
Agreed to Vote the Company met at  
the Armory for Drill  
Voted that we Assess 1 dollar at the next  
Musters

Voted that Capt Hobbs,  
Lieut<sup>nts</sup> Jenkins & Verrney  
be a Committee to provide Refreshments  
for the Company  
Voted that Charles Manscome be a Member

### Regimental Orders

Charlestown Sep 20 - 1823

Capt Hobbs with  
his Officers & Sergeants will meet at  
Richards Tavern in Charlestown on Thursday  
the 25<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock A.M. with Muskets and  
Accoutrements complete for Military Discipline

You will likewise assemble the Company  
under your Command at the same place  
on Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> at 8 A.M. for  
Inspection & Review

Per Order

Signed, Joseph S. Porter Col Com

Signed, G. C. Haynes Adj<sup>nt</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Div<sup>n</sup>

### Company Order

To Hugh Going you are hereby requested  
to Notify the Co Guards to meet at the  
Town Hall on Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> Int at  
5 o'clock A.M. in Uniform Complete for  
Military Review  
Hereof fail not and make  
due return of your Obedience to myself

Boston Sep 22 1823 Signed John Hobbs

### Return

This Certifies that all the Non Commissioned  
Officers & Privates of the Co Guards have been  
Notified agreeable to your Order

Sep 24<sup>th</sup> 1823 Signed, Hugh Going Ck

30<sup>th</sup> Int

Agreeable to Order the Company met at  
the Town Hall 30 Members Present  
when formed March to the Training Field  
& joined the Regiment under Col<sup>l</sup> Porter  
after which we Marched in Regiment to the  
Muster field near Richards Tavern in  
Charlestown where we spent the day in  
performing many Manoeuvres & Evolutions of  
firing with such accuracy & precision  
that it monopolized the praises of Thousands  
& sensibly spread a glow of honor in the Breast  
of every Soldier that made ~~him~~ each strive  
to compete with his fellow  
At 6 o'clock the Regiment was dismissed  
and we with the Infantry & Cavalry Marched  
to the Town Hall under Capt Tellois

### Regimental Orders

Charlestown Jan 31 1824

Lieut Jenkins will Order the Company  
under his Command to meet at Richards  
Tavern in Charlestown on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup>  
for the purpose of Electing a Captain  
and filling other vacancies that may then happen

Ten days notice must be given to the  
Members, and a return made to the presiding  
Officer at the time and place above named

Signed J. S. Porter Col

G. C. Haynes Adj<sup>nt</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Div<sup>n</sup>



Company Order  
Feb 11 1824  
To Mark Going, Clerk & Guards.

You are hereby requested to notify the  
Columbian Guards to meet at Archers  
Savannah on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 o'clock P.M.  
for the purpose of choosing a Captain  
& filling other vacancies that may then happen  
Hereof fail not and make due  
return to myself

Signed John Jenkins  
Lieut. Genl

Return  
This certifies that the Columbian Guards  
have been notified agreeable to your Order

Signed Mark Going Clerk

Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 1824  
Agreeable to order the Company met  
at Archers Savannah at 3 P.M. 32 Members present  
Col J. S. Porter Presiding

Ballots  
1<sup>st</sup> John Jenkins Capt Unanimous  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thaddeus Varney Lieut - Do  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mark Going Ensign - Do

After the above choice the Company (receiving  
the thanks of the Col<sup>n</sup> for their unanimity and  
exemplary conduct) proceeded to choosing Sergeants  
Capt Jenkins Presiding

Stephen Pierce 3<sup>rd</sup> Thomas Dowley 4<sup>th</sup> Sergeants Chosen

Voted that Messrs Varney Carter & Dowley  
be a Committee to audit the Clerks & Treasurers  
Books

Voted that Messrs Going Jenkins & French  
be a Committee to see about altering the  
Rumors and bring in their report next meeting

Joseph Lawrence & Winslow Lawton  
proposed as Members - Adjourn sine die

9<sup>th</sup> March 3<sup>rd</sup> Evening  
The Company by Order of the Capt met at  
Archers Savannah on Business

Voted to accept of the Committee report to have  
the Rumors Collected Blanks

Voted that Messrs Joseph Lawrence  
Winslow Lawton  
& Arnold Southwick

Be Members of this Company

Voted that Mr. Barnworth take Charge of the  
Armory for the year ensuing

Voted that John M. Alvin have an

\* Voted to ~~amend~~ <sup>amend</sup> with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Article of  
our Bylaws

Voted to meet on the 14<sup>th</sup> Evening at the  
Armory

March 14<sup>th</sup> Evening  
Agreeable to Vote the Company met at the  
Armory 17 Members present

~~Thomas Dowley~~  
David Baker  
Ebenzer Bunker  
Charles Barret

Where Unanimously elected Members of this  
Company

Voted to meet at the Armory 31<sup>st</sup> inst Evening

March 31<sup>st</sup> The Company met this Evening

19 Members present  
Voted to amend the 3<sup>rd</sup> Article of our Bylaws <sup>see last Page</sup>

Voted that Messrs Jenkins  
Varney  
& Going

be a Committee to nominate Members of this  
Company to fill the Office of Adjutants & Treasurers  
and other vacancies that may occur

Voted to meet on Wednesday Evening April 7<sup>th</sup>

Josephus J. Scandal  
Levi Pike Propos

\* See on next leaf - for 3<sup>rd</sup> article



Wednesday Evening April 4<sup>th</sup>

Agreeable to Vote the Company met at  
the Armory at 7 o'clock 24 Members present

### Committee Report

Your Committee to whom was refered the  
nominations of this Company to fill the  
Office of Adjutant - Treasurer  
Non Commissioned Officers & Standing Committee  
have attended to that duty and recommended  
for your consideration the following list  
in their respective grades

Adjutant - Nathl Leavett  
Treasurer - Charles Thurston

Sergeants 1 George C. Carter declined  
2 Wm Raymon do

Stephen Pierce 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant unanimous

Phos Dowley 2 do do

John Pierce 3 do do

John Dorr 4 do do

Corporals Joseph F. Roy 1<sup>st</sup> do

John Southwick 2 do

Samuel C. Gilbert 3 do

Henry Davis 4 do

Standing Committee for the ensuing year  
Sergt Stephen H. Pierce Phos Dowley John F. Roy

Jonathan J. Kendall & Levi Pike proposed & admitted among  
members of the Company Mr George Monroe was  
proposed for admittance & admitted unanimously  
Voted to choose a committee of two to procure cord & trowsers  
for Coops Capt Solon Jenkins & Sergeant Dorr sent chosen  
ajourned to 14<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday April 14 the Company met agreeable to  
ajournment for Drill & admission of members  
Voted to have three pieces of music for May 4 next  
ajourned to 21<sup>st</sup>

Wednesday April 21<sup>st</sup> 1824

At a meeting for Drill 26 members present  
had a good Drill & retired to the armory & admitted  
three members Mr Phineas Holmes  
Timothy D. Shaw & Robert D. Esterbrook  
ajourned to Wednesday next at 7 o'clock P.M.

Company Order  
To Sergeants Leavett, S. Pierce, Dowley & John Pierce

You are hereby ordered to warn, and give four Days notice, to  
all the non Commissioned Officers and Privates, enrolled in  
the Company under my commands, by delivering to each  
man in person, or by leaving at his last and usual place of  
abode, a written or printed order, directing him to appear  
with the arms and equipments required by law, at the  
Armory, on Tuesday the fourth day of May at 1 o'clock  
in the afternoon, for military duty and inspection.  
Hereof fail not, and make return to me of your doings herein,  
before the day of appearance.

Dated at Charlestown this Twentieth day of April 1824

(Signed) Solon Jenkins Capt

### Return

This Certifies that we have warned and notified accor-  
ding to law, all the non Commissioned officers and Privates  
enrolled in the Company aforesaid, as above directed.

(Signed) John Pierce (Clerk)

Wednesday Evening April 29 1824

Met this Evening for Drill and Admission of members  
twenty six members present.  
Voted unanimous to assess the sum of seventy five  
cents for May inspection

James H. Allen.  
George Prentiss.

Where unanimously elected members of this  
Company.

Voted unanimous that Benj. Blanchard be  
discharged without date from the Company.



Charlestown May 4<sup>th</sup> 1824

The company met for inspection this afternoon 36 members present. Capt & Lieut present all the sergeants and corporals in uniform complete, marched to the training field and drilled, a very heavy shower approaching marched to the military Hall and drilled about an half hour marched out again to Richardsons on the neck marched into his Hall, took some refreshments drilled in front of the House marched to the training field manoeuvred some time fired a number of times marched through the principal streets to the square fired a number of times by company platoons & sections from right to left and from left to right and march to the armory.

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Voted To meet every wednesday evening at half past seven o'clock for drill until the 17<sup>th</sup> June the militia law was read by the Clerk.

Voted To have a training on the 17 June to meet at 10 o'clock in uniform complete

Voted to have the Boston Brigade Band on the 17 June

Voted to choose a committee to engage the Bands the committee to consist of three

Capt. Solon Jenkins } Gentleman  
Lieut. Thadrock Varney } Chosen  
& Sergeant Dorr

Voted To have five pieces of Martial Music  
Voted to have a subscription paper handed to the members to raise money to pay the expenses of the Band.

The company received the thanks of the officers for their soldiers like appearance and good behaviour

Wednesday Evening May 12<sup>th</sup>  
Met for drill. Voted unanimous that we admit James Marsh & Josiah Gurney as members of this company.  
Voted that Joel Abbott be discharged,  
Voted To choose a committee of three to nominate a candidate to fill the office of an Ensign.

John Southwick }  
Joseph T. Boyd } Gentlemen  
Erna Fitch } chosen

## Regimental Order

Charlestown May 10 1824

Capt. Solon Jenkins Will assemble the Light Infantry Company of Columbian Guards under his command at Whitney's Tavern on Monday the 24 inst at 5 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing an Ensign. Ten days notice must be given to the electors & a return made to the presiding officer at the time & place above mentioned

Per Order Jos. S. Porter Colk

Company Order see next page

S. b. Haynes Adj.  
5 R 1 B. 3 D

Wednesday Evening 19<sup>th</sup> May  
Met for drill 20 members present. Voted that we dispense with one Article of our by laws and admit Mr William Tafts which was a unanimous vote.  
Committee reports in favour of Mr Nathl Leavitt as candidate for Ensign which <sup>from vote</sup> unanimous.

Charlestown May 24

The company met at Whitney's hotel agreeable to regimental orders for choice of an Ensign Lieut Colk P.M. Fisk presiding officer. Nathl Leavitt was unanimous - by chosen Ensign in place of Alva Going gone out of the state



Charlestown May 25<sup>th</sup>

Voted that the Guards meet for Drill on Wednesday morning at 4 o'clock A.M.

Voted to have two pieces Musick Drum & fife.

### Company Order

To Serjts John Pierce & Dove

In compliance with the above order you are hereby ordered to warn all the sergeants corporals & privates to appear at Whitney's Hotel at the time & place above directed and make return to me of your doings, ten days notice must be given to the members

Signed (Solon Jenkins Capt)

May 12 1824

This certifies that we have warned and notified according to Law, all the non Commissioned officers & privates enrolled in the Company afore said, as above directed.

(Signed) John Pierce (Clk)

Wednesday Evening June 2<sup>d</sup>

The Company met and spent the evening in drilling as usual.

Charlestown June 5 1824

### Regimental Order.

Capt Solon Jenkins

Will assemble the Columbian Guards under his commands at Whitney's Tavern on Thursday the seventeenth inst at 8 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of electing an Ensign.

Capt Theodore L Stiles.

Will assemble the company of Light Infantry under his commands at Capt Sargent's Hall in Allaldeen on Thursday the seventeenth Inst at 6 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing an Ensign. Ten days notice must be given to the electors and a return made to the presiding officers at the time and above mentioned.

Per Orders

J. M. Fiske Jr Col.

J. C. Haynes Adj

5 R 1 B 3 Divisions.

### Company Order

To Sergeants Pierce Dove

In compliance with the above order you are hereby ordered to warn all the sergeants Corporals & privates in the Columbian Guards to meet at Whitney's Hotel on Thursday June 17 inst at 8 o'clock A.M. for the choice of an Ensign, and make return of your doings unto me before said day.

Solon Jenkins Captain

Wednesday Evening June 9<sup>th</sup>

Met for drill after drilling voted to raise a committee of three to ascertain what they can obtain a dinner on the 17 June

Solon Jenkins, Serjts Dowley & Boyds.

Voted to raise a committee of one to furnish Blank cartridges for 17 June Solon Jenkins chosen.

The committee raised to select a suitable person for a candidate to fill the office of an Ensign reported William Raymond the committee were not unanimous two out of three in favour of Raymond.

Wednesday Evening June 11<sup>th</sup>

Committee to engage a dinner reported that Mr Flint had agreed to furnish a dinner @ 3/9 per plate & liquor Voted to accept the report of the committee.

Voted to offer the sum of one Dollar for Dinner on 17 June



17<sup>th</sup> June 1824

The Company met at Whitney's Hotel at 8 o'clock for choice of an Ensign made choice of William Raymond, took the time the law allows the members then proceeded to the Armory & the Company was formed marched out of the Hall proceeded to Lieut Varney's & took something to drink, marched to Boston Dockmeres Point and then to Charlestown to Mr Flint and partook of an Excellent Dinner. Col Porter Capt Hobbs & Lieut Charles Hubbard the person who painted the Standards were present. after Dinner the Company under the Command of the Lieutenant on account of the indisposition of Capt Jenkins proceeded to the training field and <sup>formed</sup> a line with the Artillery Capt White Blues, Capt Deblais, Phelan, Capt Whyman all under the command of Capt Deblais. took up the line of march for 13 minutes. He formed a line posted Centinels. & a Elegant Standard was presented to the Guards by the citizens of Charlestown, in presence of His Ex William Curtis & Suit By Col J. S. Porter with the following address:—

Lieut Varney,

In the name and behalf of the subscribers, I now offer you a tribute of their liberality and respect. On this <sup>you</sup> behold a Portrait of him whose undaunted perseverance gave to the oppressed an asylum which is now free from tyranny and usurpation. When you cast your eyes on this banner, may you be inspired with that patriotic fire which animated the breasts of our ancestors, and swear never to suffer it to be extinguished but with your lives. The Ground on which you now stand is hallowed. — Beneath your feet lie the remains of those who, in times of peril, dared to stand forth in defence of liberty and equal rights. This day, forty nine years ago, ever memorable, Charlestown was made desolate by the hands of oppressors. We are now free, and it is to you, and it is to you, and to those associated like you, that we look for the preservation of this freedom. This sacred trust is submitted to your care — Guard it as the first of earthly blessings. Be ever watchful of those rights; be firm in the cause of liberty, and when the hand of time shall cause you to mingle with the dust of those heroic patriots who fell on this spot, may you have all the pleasing consolation that you have performed your duties, and deserve no reproach. Confiding in your courage and good conduct, this Standard is now given to your charge. Should your country ever need your services to defend its liberties and laws, and this banner be unfurled in the day of battle, may it never be deserted, but be defended and preserved as lasting monument of the firmness of its defenders.

To which Lieut Varney replied —  
Sir, I together with the Corps which I have the honor to <sup>associate with</sup> ~~command~~ do tender through you to the donors of this valuable token of liberality and respect, our warmest thanks; trusting that at all times we may do honor to them, to their token, and to our country, by a faithful discharge of our duty. When we cast our eyes upon this Banner, and behold the portrait of Columbus, by whose unequalled perseverance our country was discovered; and when we reflect upon the valour with which it was defended from the hand of oppressions, we will say as did the Statesman and veteran of 1775, "at the risk of our lives, our property and our sacred honor" we will defend it. To every American heart, the ground on which we stand is indeed hallowed. With reverence for the virtues of Patriots and Heroes here entombed, we tread upon their sacred dust; invoking the same spirit which animated them, to inspire us in the cause, and strengthen us in the defence of L I B E R T Y. It is with mingled emotions of pride and satisfaction that we now receive this Banner at your hands. Accept, Sir, for yourself and associates, the acknowledged sentiment of our sincere gratitude; and be assured we shall ever unfold and view it with such feelings as will inspire us with respect for our friends; — a deep sense of the trust committed to us, and with a warm and ardent love for Liberty and our Country.

At the Collation His Excellency the Commander in Chief gave the following Sentiment.

Precious be the memory of Wm R R & R: On this field the first wish of his heart, which was to convince the enemy that his Countryman would Fight for their liberties, was gratified. From this battle ground his gallant spirit, accompanied by congenial souls, ascended to Heaven: —

Thus sleep the brave who sink to rest,  
With all their country's wishes blest.  
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,  
Returns to deck their hallowed mould,  
She here shall dress a sweeter sod  
Than fancy feet have ever trod.  
By fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung.  
So honor comes a pilgrim grey,  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay,  
And freedom shall awhile repair  
To dwell a weeping hermit there.



The undersigned will contribute the sums affixed to their respective names for the purchase of a new standard to be presented to the Columbian Guards Light Infantry company of Charlestown.

## Subscribers Names.

Joseph Loring	\$3-	Seth Knowles	\$5-
Josham Johnson	1-	John Harris	5-
Thomas J Goodwin	3-	Stephen Wiley	1-
Abraham W Thompson	1-	Benj Thompson	1-
Josiah Hawes	1-	Timothy Walker	2-
Benja Wipple	2-	W Stevens	2-
Isaac Smith	2-	Thomas Vland	1-
David Stetson	1-	Elisha L Phelps	2-
Abijah Goodridge	2-	Joseph Hurd	8-
Samuel Jaynes Jr	3-	Samuel Hoorn	1-
John Skinner	3-	John Hurd	2-
L. M. Parker	2-	Joseph J Porter	2-
W Austin	2-	John Foley	2-
Charles Whitney	1-	J. M. Fiske	2-
H Evelyn	3-	Abraham Babcock	2-
Thomas Voice	3-	John Tapley	1-
	\$33-		\$41-
— Whole Amount Colld 74-8 —			

July 2, 1824.

Agreeable to notice the Company met at the Armory this evening to see whether they would except the invitation of the republican Committee of Arrangements for the celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to assist in the performance of the Escort with the Washington Infantry under Captain Bradford.

Voted unanimously to assist in performing the Escort on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July as the 4<sup>th</sup> came on Sunday.

July 5<sup>th</sup> Met at 7 o'clock marched to Boston formed with the Washington Infantry & escorted the procession from Faneuil Hall to the Meeting House, after hearing an Oration from Coll Everett formed in front of the meeting House & received the procession & escorted them back to Faneuil Hall where they dined.

When Ensign Alrah Going left Charlestown, he made the Company a present of his rings, sword, & sash, & a note for the sum of eleven dollars, making in all the handsome sum of forty dollars, for which, he has the most sincere thanks of the Columbian Guards. Ensign Going was a very great loss to the Company as he was a very active member & generous to the Company the whole time he was a member.



1824

Wednesday Evening August 11<sup>th</sup>

The Company met this evening agreeable to notice for the choice of Sergeants.

Voted to choose a committee to nominate candidates. The following Gentlemen were chosen.

Ebenezer Bunker	Peter Richardson	Committee
Stephen H. Peirce	James C. Allen	
Joseph Dorr	Lucius Kennedy	
Gara Fitch.		

Reported John Peirce for 2<sup>d</sup> Sergeant. John Southwick " 3<sup>d</sup> <sup>Since</sup> declined.

Could not agree for 4<sup>th</sup>. Excepted the report and adjourned to Tuesday next at 17 inst at 8 o'clock P.M.

After electing the above Gentlemen as Sergeants.

August 17<sup>th</sup> 1824

At a meeting of the company on Tuesday evening voted to choose a committee of three to nominate candidate for Sergeant.

Sergeant Leavitt Lieut Varney Enr. Dorr Committee.

Reported Mr J. F. Boyd for 3<sup>d</sup> Sgt John Southwick for 4<sup>th</sup> Sgt.

Voted to accept the report of the committee. Proceeded to Ballot for 3<sup>d</sup> sergeant Mr Boyd was elected & excepted. Proceeded to Ballot for 4<sup>th</sup> Sergeant Mr Southwick elected & excepted.

Mr Davis for 1<sup>st</sup> Corporal Chosen

Mr Gilbert " 2<sup>d</sup> " "

Mr Fitch " 3<sup>d</sup> " "

Mr Kennedy " 4<sup>th</sup> " "

Members proposed Abraham Underwood Alphens Hamlet. Voted to meet every Wednesday Evening for drills at 1/2 past seven o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Aug 25

At a meeting this evening. Voted to come out on Friday morning 27<sup>th</sup> inst at 1/2 past seven o'clock to join the Escort to conduct Maj Gen La Fayette to the ever memorable Heights of Bunkers Hill.

Voted to ~~award~~ Badges with the portrait of La Fayette. Voted that Ensign Dorr be a committee to purchase those Badges.

Voted to admit Abraham Underwood Alphens Hamlet and Oliver Southwick.

Voted to adjourn to Friday at half past seven o'clock.

August 27<sup>th</sup> 1824

The company met this day to assist in Escorting Gen La Fayette to Bunkers Hill. There were presents company from Waltham Cambridge Watertown & Neponset Point. Dismissed @ 12 o'clock & marched to the Armoury & admitted Mr Samuel Gerry as a member & then adjourned.

August 30<sup>th</sup>

Met at 5 o'clock for review marched to the training field to form Regiment & marched to Boston Common and spent the day in being reviewed by His Excellency Gov Curtis & Gen La Fayette of the revolution, after going through a number of evolutions were marched to Charlestown & Dismissed.

September 15<sup>th</sup>

Met to practice the Rifle drill & proceeded to other business. The following persons were proposed viz Mr Phelan as Librarian Mr John Boyd as Pen & Ink Man & Andrew P. Flanders & then adjourned to Wednesday evening Sept 22<sup>d</sup>.

Wednesday Evening Sept 22<sup>d</sup>

Met for drill 23 members present after drilling proceeded to admit Messrs J. Boyd W. N. Gannett & Andrew P. Flanders.

Voted also to dine together on muster day.

Voted to raise a committee of three to provide rations Baggage & the following Gentlemen Chosen Abner Southwick Jonas Hadley & Ensign John Dorr.

Voted to assign the sum of \$1.50 for Thursday 30 inst. Voted to have a Buglar & adjourned.



# Company Orders.

To Sergeants John Pierce, Boyd & Southwick

You being members of the Columbian Guards.

You are ordered to warn & give Four days notice to all the non commissioned officers & privates, enrolled in the Company under my Command by delivering to each man in person, or by leaving at his last & usual place of abode a written or private order directing him to appear with the arms & equipments required by law, at the armory, on Thursday the thirtieth day of September at five o'clock in the morning for Inspection & Review. Hereof fail not, & make return to me of your doings herein before the day of appearance.

Dated at Charlestown this 21 day of Sept 1824

Solon Jenkins Capt.

October 14<sup>th</sup>

Thursday Evening

At a meeting this evening at the Armory

Voted to Come out on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> at 12 o'clock for company parade. Voted to have the Independant Bands.

adjourned to Wednesday 20 to meet at 12 o'clock

Wednesday 20 Met at 12 o'clock marched through the principal streets in Charlestown marched to Beach Point & then to Boston

Marched to the North Part of the City & payed Ensign Dorr a visit & partook of a handsome colation, paraded & marched through the principal streets in Boston & returned to Charlestown & dismissed.

Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>

Met this evening and Voted that we choose a Committee to examine the Clerks & Treasurers Books according to our By Laws

Committee John Southwick  
John Pierce  
Josiah Gurney

Continued

Voted. That we choose a committee to select a candidate for our Armourer for the ensuing year

Committee Chosen Mr Fitch  
Mr Southwick  
Mr Stenney

Committee reported in favour of Mr Joseph E Boyd  
Mr Joseph E Boyd is unanimously chosen Armourer for the ensuing year.

Voted to adjourn with out date

January 26<sup>th</sup> 1825 (Wednesday Evening)

Met this evening agreeably to notice at Yvelins Tavern.

Voted to raise a committee to prepare our bylaws for the press together with the treatise on military.

~~Voted to raise a committee~~

Committee Chosen

Ensign John Dorr } Gentlemen  
Capt Solon Jenkins } chosen  
Sergeant John Pierce }

Voted to raise a committee to call on all the delinquent members to make them settle their accounts & to make arrest to the company this night fortnight. Sergeants & Corp Henry committee Edward Dorr & Benjamin F Nutting were proposed by Ensign Dorr  
Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Evening Feb 9 to meet at this place at 7 o'clock

The company met this evening at Yvelins, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1825 agreeably to adjournment the committee chosen to prepare the by laws for the press made a report that they had prepared them & the report was read & excepted,

Voted to have three hundred copies printed,  
Voted that the same committee get them printed,

Majors Edward Dorr & Benj F. Nutting were unanimously admitted members.

Voted to discharge the following persons viz. Mr J French, Abel Davis, Ebenezer Hitchcock, J. D. Shaw Saml Hupay, Levi Burgess, Benjamin Smith & Isaac Pike,  
Voted to adjourn without date.



Charlestown February 9<sup>th</sup> 1825

### Regimental Orders,

In obedience to Genl Orders of the 7<sup>th</sup> Inst & Division Orders of the same date, announcing the lamented decease of His Excellency William Eustis late Governor & Commander in Chief, directing the funeral of deceased to be attended with the highest military honours—

you are ordered to appear with your company on Boston Common on Friday next the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst at 10 o'clock A.M. precisely—your Company will appear with only the music allowed by law.

Per order Jno. M. Fiske Col

G. C. Haynes Adjut. Genl. Bost.

To Capt Salen Jenkins

### Company Orders,

To Sergeants, Piersons, Boyd, & Southwick,

In compliance with Regimental orders you will notify all the warrant officers & Privates to appear at the Company Armory on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant at half past 8 o'clock A.M. in uniform complete to attend the funeral of His Excellency Wm Eustis late Gov & Commander in Chief of the Commonwealth & make return of your doing ~~from~~ before the day of parade unto my self

Signed Salen Jenkins Capt

Dated at Charlestown this ninth day of Feb 1825

### Return

This certifies that we have warned & notified according to law all the warrant officers & privates enrolled in the company, aforesaid, & as above directed,

Signed John Pierce Clerk

Charlestown Feby 11 1825

Agreeably to orders the company met at their armory this morning at half past 8 o'clock formed & marched to Boston Common, in company with the Blues, under the command of Capt Deblais, to attend the funeral in the funeral escort of His Excellency William Eustis late Governor & Commander in Chief, the Escort consisted of 16 Companies of Light Infantry, 4 Companies of riflemen & 4 of Artillery, & there were antiter stationed on Breed's Hill & Dorchester Hill to fire half hour guns from sunrise until the procession moved & one company on the Common to fire minute guns while the procession was moving the whole under the command of Brigadier Genl Theodore Lyman Jr of the Boston Brigade Col Jno M. Fiske Command the Regiment to which we were attached for the day after escorting the procession to the meeting House to hear a sermon preached by Rev Daniel Sharp, then received the procession to the burial place & then left the procession at the State house & proceeded to the Common & were dismissed by the field officers & took up the line of march with the blues to Charlestown & Dismissed the men were all in good spirits & done great credit to themselves & honour to the officers—

Wednesday eve March 2 1825

the company met this evening for admission of members & other business when the following persons were proposed for admission. Mr Thomas Andrews,

" Josiah Davis,

" Barnard, (gone out of town & was not admitted on that account)

" Daniel Lewis,

" William Knell,

Voted to raise a committee to wait on Major Donett to request him to repair our caps as he did not do us justice in making them as in other respects the painting was bad. the Gentlemen chosen were as follows—

Corporal, Henry Davis,

Capt Salen Jenkins,

Ensign John Dorr,

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday evening this night forthwith at this place at 7 o'clock

Capt Jenkins ~~was~~ gave notice that he should call for an alteration of two articles respecting the clerks compensation & assistant clerk &c



Charleston 10 March 1825  
At a meeting of the Company this evening at  
Brooks hall, for admission of members the following  
persons were unanimously admitted viz  
" Thomas Andrews  
" Josiah Davis  
" Daniel Lewis  
" William Nevill.

On Consideration of a Motion made at the  
last meeting, Voted to make an alteration  
in the uniform of the Corps, by the addition  
of gold lace on the collars of coats &c &c  
Also Voted to meet at the armory  
for drill on Wednesday evening next at  
7 o'clock  
At this meeting the following persons  
were proposed for admission into the Comp<sup>y</sup>  
" Jas Sanyer " Mr Israel Martin  
" Thos Mc Duffie " John Langley  
" Henry Taft " Thuermer & Russell  
(Voted to adjourn this meeting as above.

Wednesday Even March 23. 1825  
The Company agreeable to former Resolves  
met this evening for drill, after which  
proceeded to admit the following Gentl<sup>en</sup>  
as members  
Jas Sanyer Thos Mc Duffie  
Thuermer & Russell Henry Taft  
Israel Martin John Langley  
At this meeting Mr Ebenezer Russell  
was proposed for admission  
Voted to expunge two articles  
respecting the compensation of Clerk  
& Assistant Clerk

Wednesday Even 30 March 1825  
Agreeable to orders a portion of the  
Corps met for drill, it being stormy  
adjourned till next Wednesday even  
7 o'clock

Charleston April 1st 1825  
This Evening the Company according to former  
Orders met for drill, after which the following  
Resolves were passed viz to have three pieces  
Music at next May training, this meeting  
was then adjourned till Wednesday 13 inst

Charleston 13 April 1825  
This Evening the Company met agreeable to former orders  
for drill & business -  
Voted to raise a committee of two to select candidates  
for the office of Treasurer. & three persons for the  
standing committee  
Sergeants Stephen H. Pierce & Joseph H. Boyd  
Gentlemen Chosen

Charleston April 20th 1825  
This Evening the company according to former orders met  
for drill, after which the following votes were passed  
viz, That Mr George Davidson have an Honorable  
discharge -

Voted To raise a committee of two to select a candidate  
for the office of Lieutenant & for any other vacancy that  
may happen  
Mr Joseph Lawrence  
Corporal Ezra Fitch. Gentlemen Chosen

The following Gentlemen were proposed for admission  
later to lay a side our bylaws for the purpose  
of admitting them this evening at may training  
is so near at hand.

Joshua Hill - Thos Vinick } proposed  
Martin Lloyd & Caleb Pratt.

& were unanimously admitted as  
members of the Company.

Wednesday Evening 27 April 1825

The Company met this evening for Drill & business  
twenty eight members present, the committee  
who had under consideration the subject of  
selecting candidates made a report in part -  
Ensign John Dorr for Lieutenant  
Voted to accept the report unanimously -  
the committee could not agree for Ensign



Noted, to add these to the committee & the following persons were added Sergeant Jno Southwick Mr Charles Hanscom & Corporal Henry Davis after retiring a few minutes reported in favour of Sergeant Jno F. Boyd for Ensign accepted the report unanimously.  
 Voted to appt the sum of Seventy five cents for May 12<sup>th</sup> the following persons were then proposed & admitted -  
 Mr Isaac Stoddard Mr John B. McAlvin & Mr Saml D. Pike -  
 the following persons were proposed for admission Mrs Thomas Wells & John Mc Daniels  
 Voted to engage the band for the 17<sup>th</sup> June next for the day

Charlestown April 20<sup>th</sup> 1825

## Regimental Orders

Capt Salen Jenkins will assemble the Columbian Guards under his command at the Military Hall in this Town on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May next at 12 o'clock M for the purpose of electing a Lieutenant & to fill any other vacancy that may then happen.

For days notice must be given to the Electors, & a return made to the presiding officer at the time of the Election -  
 It is required that the company be ready for the election precisely at the time appointed

I order

Capt Salen Jenkins  
 Boston

John M. Fiske col

Guy C. Hagner adjt 5 Reg. 18030

To Sergt J. Piene & boys, Boston April 20 1825  
 In compliance with Regimental orders of this date you are hereby ordered to warn & give ten days notice to all the Sergeants Corporals & Privates to meet at the Military Hall in Charlestown on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May next at 12 o'clock for the purpose of choosing a Lieutenant & to fill any other vacancy that may happen. & make return to me before the

Day of Election

Signed Salen Jenkins Capt

This certifies that we have warned & notified, according to Law, all the non commissioned officers & privates enrolled in the company aforesaid, as above directed

Signed John Piene Clerk

## Company Orders

To Sergeants J. Piene & boys Jno F. Boyd & Jno Southwick  
 You are hereby ordered to warn & give four days notice to all the non commissioned officers & privates under my command. By delivering to each man in person, or by leaving at his last usual place of abode, a written or printed order, directing him to appear with the arms & equipment required by Law at the company's armory on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May at one o'clock P.M. for May Inspection &c.

He may fail not, & make return to me of your doings herein, before the day of appearance.

Dated at Boston the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 1825

Signed Salen Jenkins capt

Return

This certifies that we have warned & notified, according to Law, all the non commissioned officers & privates enrolled in the company aforesaid, as above directed.

Signed John Piene Clerk

According to Regimental orders of 20 April the company met at 12 o'clock this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May for the purpose of making an election. In which was chosen a Lieutenant & the proceeds to elect all the privates were unanimous & decided - & the meeting was then adjourned by the col John M. Fiske the presiding officer.

At one o'clock the company were formed & inspected by Capt Jenkins, marched out the Hall & through the principal street called at John's & paraded of a Han some time at the expense



In compliance with Regimental orders of the 20th April the Company met this 3rd day of May for the purpose of choosing a Lieutenant &c when Ensign John Dorr was unanimously Elected

Lieutenant Joseph B. Boyd was chosen Ensign & Declined Mr William Burt was unanimously chosen & took the day after wards declined.

May 3rd at one the Company being previous assembled for the purpose above stated & all being in full uniform were inspected by Capt Jenkins, & were then marched out the Hall & through the principal streets & back to the Hall & paraded of a beat by Lieutenant Dorr & marched to the West. performed many Evolutions with much Satisfaction to officers & Spectators & after wards marched to the Hall & proceeded to business. Voted unanimously to Discharge Samuel Merrill for Intoxications while in uniform. The committee reported in favor of Eliza Hall for Treasurer & Elected & Declined then proceeded to choose another person for Treasurer of the collecting & counting it was declared that Sergeant John Piener was unanimously Chosen

The following persons were unanimously Chosen for the Standing Committee Ensign John Piener Corporal Henry Davis & Ezra Britch Voted to admit Mr Thomas Bell Voted to enforce rather the subject of coming out on 17 June Voted to adjourn to May 12th 8 o'clock P.M.

Thursday 12th May 1825  
The Company assembled & agreed to adjourn  
Voted to choose a committee of two to examine Treasurers books

Adj. Leavitt } Gent Chasen  
Lieut. Dorr }

Voted to raise a committee to select a candidate for Armory

Capt Leavitt }  
Sergeant J. Piener } Gent Chasen

The committee reported in favor of Sergeant Smithwick & he was unanimously chosen Armory for the ensuing year  
Voted to adjourn to Friday next 8 o'clock

Voted to adjourn to Thursday Evening 8 o'clock

Thursday Evening 14 May 1825

The Company met this evening agreeably to adjourn  
Voted to adjourn to Friday next 8 o'clock

Voted to admit Mr John Dally as a member of the Company

Voted to meet on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock for Drill

Voted to wear Dark Coat & white Trowsers  
Voted to have two pieces music

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday 25 May for Drill & to choose a Sergeant in place of Sergeant Boyd as our Sec. Quartermaster Sergeant of the 5 Regt

Friday day morning May 25 1825

The Company met agreeably to order & after Drilling proceeded to Elect a Sergeant

Mr David Britch was Chosen & Sergeant

Voted to come out on Monday June 5 1825 for Drill & to break fast together in uniform complete

Voted to raise a Committee of seven for the purpose of getting Subscribers to break fast & to engage the Breakfast - the following gentlemen were unanimously Chosen viz.

Sergeant J. Piener  
Mr Charles Harrison  
Sergeant Smithwick  
Capt Jenkins  
Lieut. Dorr  
Mr David Britch  
Mr Daniel Lewis

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday June 15 8 o'clock P.M.

June 15th Wednesday Evening the Company met for drill & were in a former order  
The committee chosen at a former meeting made a report in favor of breaking fast & break men's point Hotel at 8 o'clock on Friday

Voted to accept the report of the committee  
Voted that when we adjourn it be to  
Monday June 5 at 8 o'clock (at this place)  
Voted the we were adjourn







Boston June 18<sup>th</sup> 1825

At a meeting of the President Vice President of the  
Bunker Hill Monument Association.  
Voted. That the Directors of the Bunker Hill Monument  
Association tender to the Field and Staff and to the  
Officers and privates of the several companies who honored  
the celebration of the seventeenth of June 1825 with their  
presence, the most respectful acknowledgments for their  
prompt and obliging accordance with the views of the  
Association for their orderly and soldier like deportment  
and their highly useful and acceptable aid in the honors  
of the commemoration

Daniel Webster, President  
John C. Warren Secy pro tem

Boston June 25<sup>th</sup> 1825

Capt: Solon Jenkins Sir I now transmit to you a copy  
of a vote of the Directors of the Bunker Hill Monument  
Association passed June 18<sup>th</sup> 1825 expressing their  
acknowledgements to the officers and men who volunteered  
their services on the occasion of the anniversary of the  
battle of Bunker Hill.  
I take with great pleasure the same opportunity to  
desire you and the officers and men under your  
command to accept my thanks for the real and steadiness  
with which the duties both of escort and of guard were  
performed by your company on that day.  
I am personally under great obligations to them for  
the readiness and attention with which my orders  
were at all times executed.  
A necessary absence from town has led me to a delay  
of a few days in making this communication and I  
have preferred at this time this mode to the more formal  
one of an order.  
You will do me the favour to read this letter at the  
head of your company when it shall <sup>be</sup> next assembled

I am sir your very  
obedient servant

Theodore Lyman

Charlestown August 8<sup>th</sup> 1825

Regimental orders  
Capt: Solon Jenkins assemble the company of Columbian  
Guards under his command at Yvins Tavern in this  
Town on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst at 8 o'clock P.M. for  
the purpose of Electing an Ensign  
Ten days notice must be given to the electors and  
a return made to the presiding officer at the  
place of Election

per order John M. Bisk. Col  
G. C. Haynes Adj  
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To Sergeants John Pierce Southwick & Fitch  
Gentlemen You are hereby ordered to warn and notify  
all the noncommissioned officers and privates to appear  
at Yvins Tavern in Charlestown on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst  
at 8 o'clock P.M. for the purpose Electing an Ensign  
Ten days notice must be given thereof. Fail not and  
make a return of your doings on or before the day  
of Election agreeable to Regimental Orders of the 6<sup>th</sup> Regt.

Boston August 9<sup>th</sup> 1825. Solon Jenkins Capt

Charlestown August 22<sup>th</sup> 1825

The company met at Yvins Tavern agreeable to  
regimental orders, for choice of an Ensign Edward Harding  
was unaimously chosen and Declined. The vote was then  
unanimously carried in favour of Joseph F. Boyd  
and excepted the meeting was then resolved by the Col.  
The company then proceed to elect Corporals  
Lucius Kenady was elected 1<sup>st</sup> Charles Manscour 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Josiah Gundry 3<sup>rd</sup> Joseph Lawrence 4<sup>th</sup> Thomas Page  
admitted as a member

Monday Evening Sept: 11<sup>th</sup> 1825

The company agreeable to former vote met at the  
armory for drill and to transact other business had  
at good drill and retired to the armory

Voted to come out on Thursday next at 7 of the clock  
A.M. in uniform for a Target Shute.

Voted to have the Band and 4 Pieces of martial  
music. Voted have a Colation at W. Richards Tavern  
Voted that the following gentlemen be a committee  
to provide Baggage Wagon & other necessaries for  
the day

Capt: Solon Jenkins  
Jonas Hadley



Thursday Sept 15 - 1825

The company met at the armory at 4 o'clock A.M. agreeable to former vote drilled a short time in the Hall Marched out with a band of music and proceeded up main street to Charlestown Neck pitched our tents by the side of the Canoll and fired to a target after which the company went through some maneuvers in firing &c. Struck our tents and marched to Richards Tavern and partook of a sumptuous collation prepared for the occasion after the cloth was removed some very appropriate sentiments were given by invited guests members of the company &c. The company then formed and after performing some military evolutions marched to Lechmore's Point Cambridge partook of some refreshments at generous Sam at the expense of the members in that place from thence to the Training Field in Charlestown drilled a short time marched to the square fired a few rounds and marched into the Armory. the meeting was then dismissed by the Captain after expressing his warmest thanks to the soldiers for their good conduct through the day

Friday evening Sept 18th

The Company met agreeable to former vote for the purpose of drilling and transacting company business drilled a short time and retired to the armory. Voted that Mr Warren Simpson be a Member of the company Voted to discharge the following Members. Henry Davis  
Hubbard C. Currier  
John H. Bailey  
Seth Gay  
Rufus McVerry

### Company Orders

To Sergeants Southwick & Fitch  
You are ordered to notify and warn all the noncommissioned officers and privates & give four days notice to appear at the Company Armory on Saturday the 8th of October next at half past five o'clock A.M. in uniform complete for Inspection & Review and make a return to me of your doings on or before the day of Parade fail not on your peril  
Dated at Boston this 24th Day of Sept 1825

Colon Jenkins Capt of C.G.

### Return

This Return certifies that all the noncommissioned officers and privates of the Columbian Guards have been duly notified agreeable to order of the 24 of Sept

Ezra Fitch Clerk

Friday Evening Sept 30

The Company met agreeable to vote for the purpose of transacting Company business -  
Voted that the company choose a Committee to purchase a Dinner Spirits Candles Baggage Wagon and other necessities for the 8th of Oct next the expense to be paid by assessment

Lieut John Dorr

Ezra Fitch

John Southwick

Gentlemen  
chosen

Octr the 8th - 1825

The Company met at the Armory at half past 5 in uniform agreeable to order formed Company marched to Malden formed with the Regiment for Review and Inspection spent the day very agreeably for a smoke we received the thanks of the Colonel who then dismissed the Regiment Marched back to Charlestown in Company with the Volants & Parapetry Received the thanks of the Officers for our good behavior through the day the meeting was then dissolved by the Captain

Tuesday evening April 11 - 1826

The company agreeable to former order for the choice of noncommissioned Officers and other company business Voted to raise a committee of three to select candidates Sergeants Corporals Treasurer and Armorer

Lieut John Dorr  
Ensign Joseph F. Boyd  
Sergeant Ezra Fitch

Report of the committee that Ezra Fitch stands a candidate for 2d Sergeant. Lieutenants Kendig 3d and Charles Hanson 4th Corporals Josiah Gurney 1st Joseph Lawrence 2d Elias Farnsworth 3d and Jonas Hadley 4th Mr Isaac T. Dupree Treasurer and Josiah Gurney for Armorer  
The above candidates were unanimously chosen to fill those several offices forthwith



After which the following Gentlemen were proposed as Members of the company. Henry Lambert. William Burks. John Hudson. Charles J. Miller. Symon Guilbert. David Hull. Mr. Richard. Mr. Raymond.

A committee was then chosen according our bylaws to examine the Clerk and Treasurer. Books.

Gentlemen elected (Ensign Joseph P. Boyd)  
(Capt. Solon Jenkins)

The following gentlemen chosen a committee for the ensuing year to settle any difficulty or disputes which may arise in the company and make known to the commanding Officer any unmilitary conduct of which any Member may be guilty and the infringement of any of these rules.

Gentlemen elected (Sergeant Ezra Petit)  
(Lieut. John Dorr)  
(Jonas Hadley)

Adjourned to Friday evening next.

Friday evening April - 14 - 1826

An adjourned Meeting was held this evening and the following gentlemen admitted as Members. Henry Lambert. William Burks. John Hudson. Charles J. Miller. David Hull. Richard. Francis Raymond. Symon Guilbert.

David Marble  
Members proposed - William Harris. Nathan W. Starbord.  
George Britton. Adjourned to <sup>evening</sup> Wednesday next half past 7.

Thursday evening April 19th

Agreeable to order the company met for drill and the admission of Members thirty Members present drilled a short time returned to the armory.

The following gentlemen were admitted as Members of the company. William Harris. Nathaniel W. Starbord. and George Britton.  
Mr. Thomas Gordon and Samuel Burbeck proposed.

Wednesday evening April - 26 - 1826

Met for drill and admission of Members.  
Voted to choose a committee to report candidates ~~for~~ to fill all vacancies in the company by the promotion of Sgt. Levit and Charles Hanson declined.

Gentlemen elected (Lieut. John Dorr)  
(Samuel Southwick)  
(Ensign Joseph P. Boyd)  
(Jonas Hadley)

Report of the foregoing committee that Stephen H. Pierce stands candidate for Adj. and Standard Bearer. Ezra Petit first Sergeant Leavitt second Josiah Gurney third and Joseph Lawrence fourth.

Elias Farnsworth first Corporal Jonas Hadley second David Hull third and Edward Dorr fourth.

The above candidates were all chosen agreeable to the report of the committee.

Voted to assess to sum of fifty cents the first Tuesday in May.

Members admitted (Thomas Gordon)  
(Samuel Burbeck)  
(Samuel R. Wellington)

Tuesday May the 2<sup>d</sup> 1826

The company met for inspection and drill a short time returned to the armory and proceeded to business. on a petition of Abraham Underwood and Thomas Andrews for their discharge they were by a vote of the company honorably discharged. Voted to admit John B. Vess as a member of the company. Voted that Mr. Simpson has the cleaning of our guns the ensuing season. The meeting was then adjourned to Thursday evening May the at half past 7 o'clock the company then marched to the armory and partook of some refreshments at the expense of the Officers and retired.

Friday evening May 19th

Met for drill and admission of Members. Voted to admit Andrew S. Watterman as a Member of the company. Voted that the company come out the 31<sup>st</sup> of May in Citygrens dress at five o'clock in the morning for drill with two pieces of music. Mr. John Anderson proposed.

Saturday evening May 26th

Met for drill & Admission of Members drilled a short time in the hall returned to the armory and proceeded to company business John Anderson proposed the last meeting was unanimously admitted. Mr. James Skidmore proposed adjourned to the 31

Wednesday Morning May 31<sup>st</sup> 1826

Agreeable to former orders the company met at five o'clock drilled in the hall a short time and returned to the armory. Voted to admit James Skidmore. Voted to come out on the 10<sup>th</sup> of July next at 12 o'clock. Voted to have 6 pieces of music. Voted to assess the sum of one dollar to defray necessary expenses. Voted to meet every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock for drill and to transact company business.



Tuesday Evening June 15-1826  
This evening met for drill and to transact company business  
Voted to choose a committee of three to select a candidate  
for fourth Corporall in place of David Hull resigned.  
The committee nominated Caleb Pratt who was unanimously  
chosen  
Voted choose a committee of three to select a candidate  
for assistant Clerk

Gentlemen chosen { Capt Solon Jenkins  
Lieut John Dorn  
Ensign Joseph & Boyd }

The committee reported in favour of Mr Isaac T Duper  
who was unanimously chosen assistant Clerk

Thursday Evening June 22  
Met for drill and business Mr Samuel Marsh proposed  
as member by David Morley. Voted to choose a committee  
to get signers to come out the fourth of July in the morning  
for drill Gentlemen elected

Lieut. John Dorn Caleb Pratt  
Ensign Joseph & Boyd Josiah Gurney  
Ebenezer Bunker Capt Solon Jenkins

Thursday Evening June 29th  
Mr Samuel Marsh admitted a member Mr John Anderson  
proposed Voted to dispense with our by laws so far as to admit  
Mr Anderson this evening Mr Anderson was unanimously  
admitted

Tuesday July the 4-1826  
The company met at 5 o'clock in the morning agreeable to former  
order drilled at short time in the Hall Marched to the Training  
Field drilled one hour and half returned to the armory dismissed

July the 10-1826 Being ninth anniversary of the Columbian  
Guard the company met agreeable to order for company duty  
formed company Marched to Bunker Hill drilled at which  
excepted an invitation from Colonel Fisk Marched through  
some of the principal streets in Charlestown to his house  
partook of an excellent Colation to gether with the officers  
and noncommissioned of the fifth Regiment after which some  
very appropriate toast were drunk after firing three rounds  
to Company Marched to armory received thanks of the Captain  
and the Meeting was then adjourned without date



Charlestown April 13/27. Company met @ Armory for drill  
business

SW Sh. G. Hobbs prepared

Voted to dispense with By Laws.

In the evening

On counting the ballot it was declared that W<sup>m</sup>  
Sh. G. Hobbs was unanimously admitted a member of the C. G.

Charlestown April 15/27.

To Ezra Fitch & Lucius Kennedy & W. D. Duper  
You are

forthwith required to warn the Columbian Guards under my  
command to assemble at their armory on Tuesday the first  
day of ~~April~~ next at one O'Clock P.M. in uniform complete  
May

Signed Solon Jenkins Capt

Charlestown April 24/27. Pursuant to the above notification I  
have complied with the above -

Signed Isaac J. Duper

Charlestown April 26/27.

Company met @ Armory for Drill business

Voted to choose Committee of two to examine Clerk & Treas<sup>r</sup> A/c

Lt. John Dorr & Sergt Lawrence

Voted to choose Stand/ Comt.

Lt Dorr Joseph Lawrence & Ben Bondler.

Voted to choose Committee of three to select candidates for  
Sergeants

Lt Dorr Jonas Hadley & Wm Duffer

Reported L Kennedy first Jos Lawrence second

Jonas Hadley third & Caleb Pratt fourth

they were each balloted for separately & accepted

The following Gent were acknowledged as corporals.

E. Jamesworth first Lt Dorr 2<sup>nd</sup> S R Wellington 3<sup>rd</sup> N Starbird 4<sup>th</sup>

Wm Israel Martin received an Unanimous discharge @  
his own request.

Thursday May 17/27.

Company met @ Armory in full uniform

Stephen N Pierce received an honorable discharge @ his own request.

Voted that an assessment of one dollar be laid.

Voted that Committee of three be chosen to select Candidate for Adj<sup>ut</sup>

Kennedy - Pratt. Wellington Committee

Committee reported Lucius Kennedy he was accepted.

Voted to excuse L Kennedy @ his own request.

Committee reported Joseph Lawrence he was accepted.

Jonas Hadley chosen 2<sup>nd</sup> Sergt & Caleb Pratt 3<sup>rd</sup> Sergt.

Elias Jamesworth received an Unanimous ballot for 4<sup>th</sup> Sergt -

Voted to excuse E. F. at his own request.

Committee of 3 Lawrence - Barker & Allen reported  
Sam R Wellington as Candidate for 4<sup>th</sup> Sergt. Accepted.

Voted that W Starbird be 3<sup>rd</sup> & John B Nourse be 5<sup>th</sup> Corporal

Voted that Committee of 3 be chosen to nominate Treasurer

Lt Dorr Jos Lawrence Barker com -

Reported Isaac J. Duper ballot unanimous -

Voted to meet Friday evening May 18 @ 8 o'clock for drill

Friday Evening Aug 24/27.

Company met @ Armory

After some conversation among men new home advice  
from Officers agreed to adjourn until Friday  
evening Aug 31 for drill &c.

Wednesday evening Sept 12/27

met @ Armory for drill business  
Nath W Starbird was chosen first Sergt - David Maple Capt  
Edward P Bragg & John Smith prepared & admitted members.  
Voted to meet Friday evening next for drill -



Wednesday Even Sept 18 27

Henry Hammet & Jacob Gurney  
proposed & admitted as members.

Noted a Committee of three (Boyd. Hadley. Dow.) be appointed  
to select a candidate for Sergeant.

Noted to adjourn.

For Sept 12 see past page.

Friday Even Sept 14/27

Met at Armory for drill & Business

Com of three (Hadley - Starbird - Boyd) to make arrangements for muster

Noted to meet at 4 o'clock muster morning at Armory.

## Company Order.

To Sergeants Starbird, Hadley & Wellington

You are hereby  
ordered to warn & give four days notice to all the Non  
Commissioned Officers & Privates, enrolled in the Company  
under my command, to appear in uniform by delivering  
to each man or leaving at his usual place of abode an  
order directing him to appear at the Company Armory  
armed & equipped according to law on Wednesday the 20 day  
of September at 4 o'clock A.M. for Inspection & review.  
Hereof fail not, & make return to me of your doings herein  
before the day of appearance

Dated at Boston the 15 day of September  
one thousand eight hundred & twenty seven

(Signed) John Jenkins Captain

Return

This Certifies that we have notified according to law  
all the non commissioned Officers & Privates enrolled in  
the Columbian Guards as above directed

Charleston Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1827

(Signed) M. Starbird

Wednesday Evening Oct 3 1827 Sept 20

Met at Armory for Parade (muster)  
were Inspected & reviewed at Lexington, returned to armory in  
evening. Fire dismissed

Wednesday Even Oct 3 1827

Met at Armory for drill

Business

Noted to Parade on Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> & 12 Oct 27

Noted to have five pieces Music

Noted to assess one dollar & 25/100

Noted to meet for drill on Friday & Wednesday Evenings  
next

Noted to adjourn to next Friday Evening



Charlestown May 5 1828. Company met at the Armory  
for inspection - Voted to accept the Sum of

Charlestown May 29 1828. Comp met at Armory for drill  
Voted to accept of. Voted that Edward Lorr be a  
Sergeant of the Company.

Voted that the Comp meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June  
for a drill

Mr L Cushing was admitted an active member

Charlestown June 2 1828. Met at Armory for drill

Voted for Corporals.

S. D. M. Juffer 2<sup>nd</sup> James Sawyer  
S. D. G. Hobbs 4<sup>th</sup>

Voted to have a Parade on 17 June at 12 in uniform

Voted to have Species music

Voted to meet every Thursday Evening for drill

Charlestown June 17 1828. Met for Parade.

Voted to accept one dollar

fourteen dollars & 80¢

collected this day Expenses twenty five dollars.



Charlestown Sept 18/29

Company met @ Armory

Isaac T. Dupee received an unanimous Vote as Sergeant.

Messrs Washington Wetherby James Mellen  
Walter Pitts & Eliphahham  
John Smith were this Even<sup>g</sup> admitted  
as members.

Sept 21/29.

Company met @ Armory

Messrs Stephen Watson, Perkins Norton  
& Joseph Gibson this Even<sup>g</sup> admitted

Sept 23/29.

Company met @ Armory

Mr Percy Clark admitted

Col Fiske wished for the Guards Marquee

Voted that Col Fiske cannot have it

Oct 2/29.

Company met @ Armory

Voted Charles Thompson have an honorable discharge  
at his own request.

Voted to Drill on Monday Even<sup>g</sup> next.

Voted to choose a Com<sup>d</sup> of three to attend to uniform

Dupee. Boyd. Williams. Com<sup>d</sup>

The Company met @ 6 O'clk A.M. Marched to Malden  
were received, inspected and man<sup>eu</sup>vered, although few in  
number. & very many of that few saw recruits they gave great  
satisfaction to their friends & visitors.

Oct 5/29.

met @ Armory

Voted Ch<sup>l</sup> G. Singleton have discharge

Continued. Oct 5/29

Voted that Com<sup>d</sup> furnish Coat & Expense of Company not to  
exceed ten dollars.

Voted to Parade @ 12 O'clk on Monday next.

Voted to have nine pieces of music

Voted to assess one dollar to \$50/100-

Oct 12/29

Company met for Parade.

After being formed the Company marched to East  
Cambridge from there after various manoeuvres & firing  
proceeded to Ramsy's Hotel on the neck, set down to an  
elegant collation at the expense of our Commander

Lieut Ino Dorr.  
after which marched home & were dismissed

Voted this day that the thanks of the Com<sup>d</sup> be presented  
to Lieut Dorr for his services

Voted to add Com<sup>d</sup> of three to uniform

Leighton, Jamesworth, Currell,

Voted to appoint Com<sup>d</sup> of finance.

Dupee. Boyd. Lt Dorr.

Voted to admit Elbridge Woods.

Voted to sell to Capt Jenkins an old Gun

Voted to sell desk to obtain table

Oct 15/29.

met @ Armory

Voted to accept J. F. Boyd as Captain

Voted to accept Mr Paske's Uniform for the fines he owes

Voted to meet next Friday Even<sup>g</sup>.



Oct 23/29.

Company met at Armory

Noted that three more be added to Com<sup>d</sup> of Finance  
Garnett, Leighton, Kennedy.

Noted to appoint Com<sup>d</sup> of Six to nominate Serg<sup>t</sup>

Jamesworth, Leighton, Garnett.

Stodder Smith Kennedy. Com<sup>d</sup>

Nov 29.

met at Whitney's.

for choice of officers.

Lt Col Goodrich presiding

on Counting the votes for Captain 29 being given in

Lt John Dorr having that number was declared  
Captain.

After some remarks from Lt Dorr he declined  
serving them in the capacity of Commander; was  
excused & a new choice was ~~made~~ made which resulted

in electing Joseph F Boyd - Captain

Henry G. Stetson Lieut and Wm Dodd Ensign  
of the Columbian Guards  
unanimously

Nov 13/29

met at Armory

Selden Crockett, Jos E Dow and Ed Lawrence proposed

Noted to meet next Wednesday evening 7 Oct 11.

Nov 18/29

Company met at Whitney's Hotel

Noted to choose a Com<sup>d</sup> of three to wait on Mr Dodd to  
inform him of his election as Ensign

Beatt - Garnett - Williams.

Nov 18/29 Continued

Proceeded to ballot for the following Gent<sup>l</sup>  
nominated at last meeting

Joseph E. Doe - Edward Lawrence and  
Selden Crockett who were admitted unanimously

Noted to choose Committee of three to wait on Col Fiske  
and request a Settlement

Isaac S. Duper Jos Lawrence  
and Williams.

Noted to choose Committee of three to effect a Settlement  
with Hiram More

Isaac S. Duper - Jos Lawrence and  
Williams.

Noted to choose a Calling Committee

Williams Ed Dorr - Jamesworth - Reebe - Upham  
Stetson - Boyd - Kennedy -  
Garnett, Currier

Committee on Uniforms thro their Chairman

to accept the Coat offered by Lieut Dorr. Super-Reported  
and that he  
be employed to furnish the Coats according to pattern  
exhibited viz a Red Coat - best of Bell Buttons Blue Collar  
& Cuffs with Gold Lace on Vane - diamonds Blue trim  
with good Gold Lace on Skirt - Blue wings on Shoulders  
Coats to be faced with white Noted by Company to  
accept the Report price of Coats twelve dollars.

Noted to adjourn to 2 day of December 7 Oct 11. Super C/M



Nov 18/29 Continued - Dec 2/29

At Whitney's Hotel.

Voted to appoint Com of 3 to petition Selectmen for addition to Amory.

Boyd. Peterson. Todd.

Voted to accept Report of Com on Col Fiske

Voted to choose Com of 3 to collect by all fair and honorable means all moneys due from Col Fiske.

Boyd. Ed Dorr. Dupee.

Voted Clerk wait on Hiram More & effect a settlement.

Voted Clerk wait on Mr Starbird & effect a settlement.

Com on Sergeants Reported could not agree

Voted the above Com be discharged

Mr Dodd appeared this evening & after some remarks accepted as Ensign.

Gent from

Coran Doane	yes.
John Taggart	No.
Amos Perry	yes

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Even? 16 Dec.

Dec 10/29

At Whitney's Hotel.

Coran Doane & Amos Perry admi Unanim?

Mr Sawyer	Philander Ames	Mr Turner
James	Miss Kelly	Henry Bacon
		Mr G. Langdon

Voted to dispense with By Laws & the above Gent were admitted unanimously.

Dec 10/29 Continued.

Voted to appoint Com of 3 to examine Clerk's Treasures Books. Lieut Dorr. - Lighton - Boyd.

Voted to Choose an investigating Committee Kennedy - Williams. Lt Dorr.

Dec 11/29

At Whitney's Hotel.

Proceedings of last meeting read Committee to examine Clerk's Treasures Books Reported & accepted.

Voted Mr Dorr's Application as Treasurer for discharge be accepted

Voted to appoint Com of three to select a Candidate for Treasurer -

Stacy Dorr & Lighton Williams

Com Reported Lt Kennedy as a suitable person for Treasurer He was accordingly elected unanimously

Voted Com of three to settle with Clerk

Lt Dorr. Kennedy. Lighton

Voted Com of 3 settle with Mr R Wellington

Lt Dorr Sgt Dorr Jos Lawrence

Voted the above Com have full power to settle with Mr J R Wellington.

Voted Com of two with add of Clerk be appointed to wait on Mr Barker & effect a settlement Kennedy - Lighton - & Dupee



Dec 3/29. Read Adam Moore he disson dis.  
Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Eveng. Jan 13/30  
Attest. Duper. Clerk.

January 13 1830 At Whitney's Hotel

Voted to give Com an Clerk further time to prepare report.

Voted to grant further time for Committee in Settlement with Saml R Wellington to report.

Voted S<sup>rs</sup> Page debt (about \$15) be remitted.

Voted S<sup>rs</sup> Page be dishon<sup>d</sup> discharged.

Voted Com an Uniform be discharged.

Voted Com of 3 on Caps &c be appointed.

Dodd. Boyd. Stetson.

Voted Com of Settlement with Col. Fiske be discharged.

Voted Com of 2 be appointed to wait on Col Fiske & effect a Settlement.

Boyd. Stetson.

Voted. Com of 3 be appointed to report Candidates to fill vacancies of Non Com Officers.

Williams. Stodder. St Dorr.

Voted to meet at 7 o'clock on Wednesday Eveng. Jan 13

Attest. Duper. Clerk.

Jan 13/30 At Whitney's Hotel.

Com an Clerk reported in part. Voted they be allowed more time.

Com an Settlement with S<sup>rs</sup> Wellington reported in part. Voted they be allowed more time.

Voted Mr Page's debt be remitted & he be discharged.

Voted Com an Uniform be discharged & there own request.

Voted that Com of three an alteration of Caps &c be appointed.

Dodd. Boyd. Stetson.

Voted Com an Fiske be discharged.

Voted Com of two to settle with Fiske be appointed.

Boyd. Stetson.

Voted Com of three to fill vacancies of Non Com Officers.

Williams. Stodder. St Dorr.

Voted to meet at 7 o'clock on Wednesday Eveng. Jan 13.

Attest. Duper. Clerk.



Jan 27/30

At Whitney's

Com an Wellington reported could not settle

Com an Hon Com Officers reported

Messrs Kennedy & Leighton for Sgt

Williams & Currell for Corp

Voted Report be accepted

Proceeded to ballot for the above Gentlemen  
where duly elected.

Attest Dupee. MR

Feb 3/30

At Phelps Hotel.

Voted application from Starbird for discharge  
be laid over until next meeting.

Voted to accept Report of Com an alteration  
of caps

Brass Vase Brass Band & Gold Scallops.

Voted Com of two to ascertain expense of getting

Picture of Image of Columbus

Dupe Dodd.

Voted that the thanks of the Company be presented  
to Col Fiske & Capt Frothingham for  
their exertions in obtaining Addition to  
Armory.

Dodd. Boyd. Stetson.

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Evening Oct 11

Attest Dupee. MR

March 10/30

At Phelps Hotel.

Voted that Com of six be appointed to fix up  
Armory

Dodd. Lawrence. Stetson. Boyd.  
Kennedy Stodder

Voted Starbird be requested to give reasonable  
excuse for his discharge.

Voted to adjourn to next Wednesday Evening Feb 17

March 17/30

At Phelps Hotel.

Three Gentlemen proposed for admission

Gardner Johnson. Mariah Kimball.  
Watts Emerson.

The Clerk gave notice that on the next  
meeting he should resign his warrant.

Voted that Com of three be appointed to fill  
vacancy of Sgt Dupee.

Williams. Watson. Currell.

Voted to adjourn to next Wednesday Evening Feb 17  
Attest Dupee. MR

March 24/30

At Phelps Hotel.

Messrs Mariah Kimball & Gardner Johnson were  
admitted unanimously.

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Evening Feb 17

Attest. Dupee MR



Wednesday Even<sup>g</sup> March 31 1830

At Melms Hotel

Committee Reported. Welden Crockett. And  
Aaron Crowell first as Sgt last as Corporal.  
Office vacanied occasioned by the Resignation  
of Sgt Dupre Corp<sup>l</sup> Nobbs. — Report Accepted  
& both were unanimously elected.

Mr Ch<sup>s</sup> Mallet was unanimously admitted a  
member.

Mr Charles Brown was proposed for membership

<sup>Landis acting for</sup>  
Voted to leave to Committee to obtain Cl<sup>g</sup> Fennings

Phineas &c.

Voted to accept offer of a Case in armory for  
depositing uniforms &c. Voted to notify Landis & Mallet

Voted to adjourn next Wednesday

Charleston

Attest. Dupre. Cl<sup>g</sup>

Capt. gave Orders to have notifications printed  
for four successive meetings 7. 14. 21. & 28 April 1830.

Attest J Johnson Cl<sup>g</sup>

Columbian Guards. April — 1830.  
at a meeting of the Company held at their Armory  
on Wednesday Ev<sup>g</sup> 7 inst

Motion was moved & seconded that an article  
in our By Laws respecting electing a Member  
By ballot be dispensed with.

2<sup>nd</sup>  
Mr Charles Brown was admitted a member  
by a unanimous vote

Motion was moved and seconded that we  
adjourn till next Wednesday Ev<sup>g</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> inst

Attest Gardner Johnson

Columbian Guards

At a meeting of the Company held at their Armory  
on Wednesday Ev<sup>g</sup> 14 inst

3<sup>rd</sup>  
Voted  
Moved and seconded that we dispense with article  
2<sup>nd</sup> in our by Laws. respecting a member or member being  
proposed for one or two meetings

2<sup>nd</sup>  
Mr George S. Paskett & Oyster Stevens.  
were admitted as members of the company by a  
unanimous vote

3<sup>rd</sup>  
Committee reported Treasurer & Clerks acct  
balance due from Clerk \$ 4.43.

4<sup>th</sup>  
Voted that committee be discharged.

5<sup>th</sup>  
Voted to adjourn till next Wednesday Ev<sup>g</sup> 21<sup>st</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup> 1830 J Johnson Clerk

Friday April 16<sup>th</sup> Some of the members met at the  
Armory for drilling, according to a vote passed 14<sup>th</sup> inst

J. Johnson — Clerk



Wednesday Evng April 21<sup>st</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory for the purpose of Drilling and such other business as might come before them.

Voted 1<sup>st</sup> That we dispense with an article in our By Laws respecting members being proposed for one or two meetings

Voted 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr John Crapo & Mr John Mitchell were admitted by an unanimous vote as members of the company -

Voted 3<sup>rd</sup> That the Company meet at their armory on the first Tuesday of May next at one O'clock precisely for the transaction of business -

Voted 4<sup>th</sup> That providing there be forty members present after business is transacted they should come out in citizens dress to drill.

Voted 5<sup>th</sup> To adjourn till the next Wednesday Evng 28<sup>th</sup>

Friday Evng April 25<sup>th</sup> 1830. Some of the members met at the Armory to drill according to a vote passed 14 inst - Capt Boyd was present

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Company Order

To the Clerk of the Company

You are hereby ordered to warn and give four days notice to all the Officers Non Commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the Company under my Command to meet at their armory on the first Tuesday and 4<sup>th</sup> day of May next at 1 O'clock armed and equipped in uniform for inspection and review as the Law requires. Were of. Fail not and make return to me of your doing herein before the day of appearance.

Dated at Charlestown April 27<sup>th</sup> 1830

(Signed)

Capt

Return

This may certify that I have notified all the Officers Non Commissioned Officers & Privates enrolled in the Columbian Guards according to Order  
Charlestown April 30<sup>th</sup> 1830

(Signed) Gardner Johnson Clerk for the C.G.

Wednesday Evng April 28<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory to Drill and transact such other business as might come before them.

Mr Nathaniel W. Starbire sent in for his discharge

Mr Elbridge G. Currell was proposed for membership on Friday Evng last. Accordingly he was admitted as a member by a unanimous vote this Evng.

Mr Caleb Pratt sent in this evng for his discharge voted not to discharge him at present.

Voted to Assess \$1.50 for May Training

Capt Boyd gave Mr John Mitchell his discharge some time previous to this meeting.

Voted to adjourn till May Training.

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Friday Evng April 30<sup>th</sup> 1830 Some members met for an Armory drill - according to a vote passed the 14<sup>th</sup> inst 1830

G. Johnson Clerk

Tuesday May 4<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory in Citizens Dress

Formed Company in the Hall and marched up on Brees Hill and performed company maneuvers and marched from there up to Mr Ramsays Tavern and partook of some refreshment at the expense among the entertainments was two songs sung by Mr Currell.

Voted to discharge Messrs James Nelson & Mr Eben S. Bunker dishonourably for undisciplined conduct while on duty.

Voted to dispense with an article in our By Laws in the admission of

Voted to discharge Messrs Richard Fisk & Mr Caleb Pratt honourably for good satisfaction of the company.

Mr Silsman Whitcomb was admitted a member by a unanimous vote  
Voted to adjourn till next Friday Evng 7 inst

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk



Friday Evng May 7<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory

Voted to accept of the twelve iron plums that come at \$1.25 each a price to be bought at Wells & Gelsoms Boston

Voted to adjourn till next Wednesday Evng 12<sup>th</sup> inst

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng May 12<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory

for drilling and the transacting such business as might come before them

Voted to dispense with an article in our by laws with respect to admitting members

" Mr William Kimball was proposed for membership and was unanimously admitted a member of the Company

" to call the roll precisely at 8 O'clock for the present

" to adjourn till next Wednesday Evng 19<sup>th</sup> inst

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng May 19<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory

To drill and transact such other business as might come before them

Moved & Seconded to march out into the street it was put to vote and accordingly passed. marched through several streets and proceeded to Mr Gobelins and partook of some refreshments at the expense of our officers. and marched from there to the Hall. without music while on this march. the majority were dissatisfied with the movement myself for out as I was the last to shoulder my musket.

Voted to devote the next Wednesday Evng to the transacting of the company's business instead of drilling  
the meeting was adjourned till Friday 26<sup>th</sup> (Friday)

According to a Vote passed some of the members met for a drill  
Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng May 26<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their armory

There being so few members present it was voted to adjourn till Wednesday Evng May 26<sup>th</sup>

Lieut Dods presiding. Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory

There being so few members it was voted to adjourn till Wednesday Evng June 9<sup>th</sup> 1830

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng June 9<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory the meeting being thin there was no drilling.

Voted to accept of Mr Monroes proposal to clean guns provided he will clean them as he does for other company

Voted to adjourn till next Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup> 1830

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng June 16<sup>th</sup> 1830

Columbian Guards met at their Armory for drilling & business.

Voted to have the Pantalions small at the bottom full in front.

Voted to choose a committee of two members to see what the belts & scabbards could be got for and what Oudis  
Committee Johnson & E. Dods

Voted to adjourn till next Wednesday Evng 23<sup>rd</sup>

Attest Gardner Johnson Clerk



## Columbian Guards

Met at their Armory on Wednesday Evg June 23

And the following business was transacted

Voted to Parade on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July provided there be a sufficient number have a breakfast & 3 pieces of music

Voted to Choose a Committee to Procure Music the Committee to consist of 5 Messrs Currell Kennedy & Leighton

Voted to Choose a Committee to see to getting a breakfast to consist of Messrs

Voted to notify for the 10 Inst next week

Attest J Johnson Clerk

## Columbian Guards

Met at their Armory Wednesday Evg 30<sup>th</sup> 1830 for drilling and other business

Voted to Choose a Committee to wait on Mr John Perry and see if he will act as Lieut on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst

Voted to get breakfast at the Point

Voted to have 2 small Drums & 2 fifes

Subscribed \$1.00 on acct of ornaments on Cartridges

Attest J Johnson Clerk

Columbian Guards met at their Armory at 6 O'clock

Armed and Marched over to the Point performed some Manoeuvres and then marched to Mr Thompsons and took breakfast and heard a song from Mr Spurrell then proceeded to the Armory by the way of Milk Row

Voted to dispense with an Article in our By laws respecting the admission of Members, and the following Gent were admitted by a unanimous vote Messrs Thomas Weeks Saml Tucker Robert Praddey

Also for apprentices \$21.00 Mr Mullett was chosen for Armory Committee Chose to see to apprentices 10<sup>th</sup> Messrs Crockett & Leighton Kennedy  
At J Johnson Clerk

1830

Company met at their Armory Wednesday Evg July 8<sup>th</sup> Preparatory to their Anniversary for drilling and Business

Voted to have a Committee of four two in favor of the Boston and two for the Brigade Band's Committee where absent a few minutes when they returned and reported in favor of having the Boston Band to Play for us on the 10<sup>th</sup> Inst

Committee Messrs Currell Crockett Perry & Williams

Voted to accept their Report  
Attest J Johnson Clerk

## Company Orders

To the Clerk and Corporals Messrs Johnson Williams & Currell

You are hereby ordered to warn & give four days notice to all the Officers non Commissioned Officers & Privates enrolled in the Company under my Command to meet at their Armory on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst in uniform armed and equipped as the Law requires to celebrate their twelfth Anniversary. Those who fail not and make excuses to me of your doing herein before the day of appearance

Dated at Charlestown July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1830  
Signed Petera Jos J Boyd Capt

This may Certify that I have notified all the Officers non Commissioned Officers & Privates enrolled in the Columbian Guards according to Order  
Charlestown July 4<sup>th</sup> 1830

Signed J Johnson Clerk for the Columbian Guards

The Company paraded agreeable to Orders with the Boston Band Proceeded to Boston marched through some of the most Public Streets from thence to the Point over Craig's Bridge to Mr Thompsons Hotel & Partook of some refreshments then Proceeded to Charlestown & marched up as far as Jackmans Tavern made a halt performed some Manoeuvres marched from thence to Col Hikes house on high Street & Partook of a fine Collation at 1/2 Past five O'clock. P.M. in the Presence of a number of Veterans among the Guests were two old members Mr Charles & Mr Benjamin Thompson Capt Richard and a number of others Proceeded from thence to our Armory and where dismissed after some remarks from Mr John Perry with respects to our coats.

Attest J Johnson Clerk



Company after depositing their Arms. Voted that Mr John  
Dorr should have \$12 for each Coat unanimously.

Voted further to meet on the Wednesday Evg following 24<sup>th</sup> Inst

Collected for Assignments \$71.50 Cts Attest J. Johnson Clk

Expenses for Band & Music \$  
Refreshments —

Wednesday Evg July 12<sup>th</sup> 1830

Company met at their Armory for business

Voted to send Lieut John Dorr a letter acknowledging  
the thanks of the company for his services at the celebration  
of their Anniversary

Voted to choose a committee to select a candidate for  
Lieut. & one for ensign. Committee to consist of three  
Messrs Dryd, Crockett & Leighton.

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Evg July 19<sup>th</sup> 1830

Company met at their Armory for business & Drilling

Mr George Wiley was proposed for membership

Voted to adjourn till the next Wednesday Evg —

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Evg July 26<sup>th</sup> 1830

Company met this evg to transact such business as might  
come before them the days being long & the evgs were nothing  
at all the meeting was very thin.

Mr George Wiley. was unanimously admitted a member. —

Voted to notify for the next meeting & to —

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Evg Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 1830

Company met at their Armory & drilled without muskets on  
the new system —

Voted to add three more to the committee on candidates for  
Officers

the following Gent were added Messrs Williams, Weeks,  
& Stodder.

it was afterwards voted adjourn till next Wednesday

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 1830

The Company met as usual for Drilling. There was no  
Business transacted

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Company met this Evg Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 1830

for drilling. Voted to meet Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1830 on account  
of account of our regular meeting being on commencing

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Evg Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1830

The company met this evg to drill formed company  
and marched up to Jacksons Tavern & Back to the  
Armory when we were dismissed.

Voted to send Mr Nathl W. Starbird an honorable  
discharge. adjourned till next Wednesday evg.

Attest J. Johnson Clk

Wednesday Evg Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1830

The Company met this evg to drill as usual.

Voted to dispense with an article in our By laws with  
respect to admitting members.

Mr Leonard H. Hineaid was admitted by an unanimous vote  
Voted to choose a committee to select a candidate for Colpotal in  
place of the Harworth Committee to consist of three Messrs  
Williams, Mistlely, & Lawrence to report next meeting.

Voted to muster in town this season —

Attest J. Johnson Clk



Regimental Orders  
Charlestown Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 1830

Capt J. H. Boyd

will assemble the company under his command at ~~the~~ <sup>Gardner's</sup> tavern on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst at 7 O'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a Lieutenant & to fill any other vacancy that may offer. Ten days notice must be given to the electors and a return made to the Presiding officers

per Order

signed John M. Hiskie  
J. H. Haynes Adj<sup>t</sup>

Company Orders

To J. Johnson

you are hereby ordered to warn & give ten days notice to all the commissioned officers & Privates under my command by delivering to each man in person or by leaving at his last & usual place of abode a written or printed order directing him to appear at Gardner's hotel Charlestown on Tuesday the twenty third day of Sept 1830 at 7 O'clock in the eve for choice of Officers.

Hereof fail not and make return to me of your doings herein before the day of appearance dated at Charlestown this thirteenth day of Sept 1830.

signed Jas H Boyd commander

Return

This certifies that I have notified & warned according to Law all the commissioned officers & Privates enrolled in the company aforesaid above named

signed J. Johnson Clerk

Thursday Evening Sep 23. 1830

Company met at Gardner's Hotel for the choice of Lieut & Lieut Smith unanimously elected

Voted to choose a Committee for the selection of Corporals

Committee Messrs Leighton Door & Cricket

Chose a Committee to prepare for the ensuing Master Committee Messrs Boyd & Smith

Wednesday Evng Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 1830

Company met at their Armory & Voted the Committee chosen on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Inst should provide for Muster.

also that Mr Washington Wetherbee be honourably discharged

Voted to admit Mr W. C. Read as a member of the Company drilled &c

Attest J. Johnson Clerk

Company Orders

To the Clerk: you are hereby ordered to warn & give four days notice to all the non commissioned officers & Privates enrolled in the company under my command by leaving a written or printed notification at each mans last or usual place of abode directing him to appear at the Armory of the C. Guards in uniform armed & equipped as the Law requires on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Oct at 6 O'clock P.M. for Inspection & Review and make return to me of your doing herein before the day of appearance

signed Jas H Boyd Capt

This is to certify that I have warned all the non commissioned Officers & Privates belonging to the Company under your command

Attest J. Johnson Clerk

Tuesday Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1830.

The Company met at their Armory this day according to Orders Proceeded to the Lower Hall & collected assessments amounting to about \$80 & our Lieut received the money as the names were called & formed Company & marched on to the line with 3 Pieces of music with 35 members returned after being dismissed and marched round by the navy yard agreeable to a vote from the company. then proceeded to the Armory & were dismissed. two members were proposed partly some time previous to this meeting. and the company voted to take them both in at by a vote of the hand Mr Edward Miskelly was voted in as a member of the company some time previous to this meeting. the names of those Gentlemen who were admitted this evng were Mr John C. Barker & Mr John Howard.

Attest Gardner Johnson



# Regimental Orders

Charlestown Sep-15-1830

In obedience to Division orders of Aug 2<sup>d</sup> & Brigade Orders of the 6<sup>th</sup> Inst you are hereby ordered to appear with the company under your command on Tuesday the fifth day of Oct next at eight o'clock A.M. Precisely at Jacksons Tavern armed & equipped for Regimental Inspection & Review in the town

Every non commissioned Officer & Private must be furnished with twenty four blank cartridges

Commanders of companies will make application for the Powder allowed by law to the selectmen of their respective towns

You are also ordered to appear with companies & warrant Officers at Jacksons Tavern in Charlestown on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> Inst at nine o'clock A.M. Precisely armed and equipped as for drill in dark coat & white under clothes

Commanders of Companies will without delay transmit this order for drill to their subaltern & warrant officers giving ten days notice at least of the time and place appointed for drill

Every non commissioned Officer & Private of the standing companies is required to appear on muster day in dark & white Pantaloons

Commanders of Companies will require a compliance with these Orders

Punctuality on both Parade days is required Lt Col Stiles will command at the drill of Officers

Transmitted per Order

John M. Fiske Col

J C Haynes Adj<sup>t</sup>

5 R<sup>th</sup> 1 B<sup>th</sup> 43 Division

A true copy Attest J Johnson

Wednesday Evng Oct 13 1830

Company met this evng to transact some business of importance the night being stormy the meeting was of course thin four members were proposed for membership Messrs George M. Mellen, Jos Flanders, John Edmison & Mr Albridge Jackson.

Voted to meet next Wednesday evng.

Attest J Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1830

Company met this evng according to a vote passed on Wednesday when three Gentlemen were unanimously admitted as members & three more proposed viz! Messrs George E. Edmans, John Dodge & Nathl Goodhue. this Evng is by mistake in the Print called Wednesday instead of Friday.

Voted to meet on the next Wednesday Evng Attest J Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evng Oct 20-1830

The company met this evng to settle & transact such business as might come before them. Mr John Dodge & Mr George E. Edmans were unanimously admitted as members of this company. Voted not to ballot for Mr Goodhue. Voted to parade next Tuesday. Voted to choose a Committee of arrangements to consist of three Messrs Crockett, Bond & Marble. Voted to meet at 1/2 Past 12 o'clock A.M. on Tuesday voted to have six Pieces of music. Voted that Committee ascertain what they can hire caps for. Voted to adjourn till Monday Evng next.

Attest J Johnson Clerk

Monday Evening Oct 25 1830

Met this evening for drill after the drill passed the following votes

Voted, that the company take supper tomorrow night at Mr Andersons at 7 o'clock.

The committee chosen at a previous meeting to ascertain relative to caps, made a report, whereupon it was

Voted, that the said committee be instructed to hire Caps

Tuesday Oct. 26. 1830

The company met at the armory this day at 12 o'clock and at about 2 P.M. proceeded from the Hall with fifty eight members. The uniform this day was a dark coat with white pantaloons and fur caps. Seven pieces of music were employed. The company after partaking of refreshments at the Bunker Hill Tavern, and paying a salute to the Warren Phalanx, who paraded this day, marched to the banks of Mystic River. Here a target, a representation of the demon of Intemperance, was placed at a distance of twenty rods and perforated with many shots out of three rounds fired. On return the company again stopped at the Bunker Hill Tavern, where the assessment \$1.60 a man was collected. The company then marched to the square where they made a fire which did them great credit. The guns were then deposited in the armory, and the company without arms then marched to the Eagle Hotel to supper

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The supper was prepared in fine style and upwards of sixty sat down. At 1/2 past 8 o'clock the cloth was removed and then in presence of a large number of invited guests among whom were the past officers of the company the following Regular Toasts were announced by Mr Sawyer.

1. The Militia, the Freeman's friend, the Tyrant's foe.
2. The President of the United States.
3. The Surviving ex-presidents.
4. The memory of Washington Adams and Jefferson.
5. American Heroes, they need no vain sophistry gild acts that will bear Heaven's light.
6. The Governor of the Commonwealth.
7. Bunker Hill, a noble monument, finished June 17. 1775.
8. Civil and Religious Liberty.  
"God prosper the cause, Oh! it cannot but thrive  
While the pulse of one patriot heart is alive  
Its devotion to feel and its rights to maintain."
9. Gen. La Fayette, one whose faith through many a trial hath been proved true.
10. The late Revolution in France.  
"Oh Liberty! let not this spirit decline  
Shine through the wide world its bright beams shall  
Give the light of thy look to each sorrowing spot  
And Oh let no place on Earth be forgot!"
11. Christopher Columbus,  
"Glorious crown the unconscious dead"
12. The Indians of the United States.  
"Alas! for them, their day is o'er  
Their fires are out from hill and shore  
No more for them the wild deer bounds  
The plough is on their hunting grounds  
The pale man's axe rings through their woods  
The pale man's sail skins over their floods  
Their pleasant springs are dry."  
Oh let their wrongs be all redressed,  
In the rich regions of the west  
Their every want supplied.
13. Woman,

She ever has the Soldiers, Thanks

The Soldiers' gratitude -

The above were received with great applause and were interspersed with patriotic songs from one of the company's members, Mr Currie, after the above, Capt Boyd called upon Col John M Fiske to commence the Volunteer Sentiments.

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Col John M Fiske, after a very appropriate speech gave the following.

The Columbian Guards and its past officers, may their friendship be as lasting as their existence

Mr E L Phelps,

The Columbian Guards, the same good spirit over and over again.

Mr Benjamin Thompson  
The military and the fire department, both famed for noble purposes, may their merits ever be appreciated

Mr Elijah Hadley

The 10<sup>th</sup> of July 1818 and the 26 of November 1830 similar occurrences.

Capt J. F. Boyd

The past officers of the Columbian Guards, an honour to the company and an honour to Charlestown

Songs and wine were in abundance and wit began to flash as will be seen by the following Sentiments given by members of the Company.

Ward No 1. They have preston to the field their former captain and now make their appearance in New Stiles.

Ward No. 2. None the worse for having a poor captain  
The Warren Phalanx, they flourish under Knox and are somewhat renowned for giving good blows.

The Devil, We have this day by means of powder and ball rendered him somewhat Holey.

The Columbian Guards, though they have turned their backs to red coats, may they never turn them to the enemies of their country.

Our friends of the Charlestown Light Infantry are pleased with their prosperities though there is no joking with their names

The fire department, cold water men indeed though often found possessing an ardent spirit agreeable to all tastes

Engine Company No 5. Worthy of a Crown and shield

A new Law case for Soldiers to decide. The Columbian Guards, versus his Satanic Majesty.

The case decided by sundry bullets in and about the person of the said defendant.

A correct execution, may the Devil always have his due.

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Charlestown Mechanics, who have often strengthened the United States Independence and made good many defects in its Constitution.

Several other settlements were given; and at an early hour the company retired, apparently well pleased with the exercises of the afternoon and evening.

Wednesday Even' Nov 2 - 1830

Company met this eve'g two members were proposed Messrs Edward Barker & Mical Philipps the night being rainy voted to adjourn till Friday eve'g following.

Attest E Johnson

Friday Even' Nov 5 - 1830

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mr Mical Philipps was unanimously admitted a member
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Voted to choose a committee to make a new Code of By Laws Committee to consist of Messrs Sawyer, Boyd & Crockett Voted to assess 25 Cts to cover some small expenses
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Voted to choose a committee to wait on Mr Adams & try to effect a settlement with him to consist of Messrs Crockett, Sawyer & Barker.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Voted to meet at week from next Tuesday @ 7 P.M.

Attest E Johnson Clk

Tuesday Eve'g Nov 16.

Met this evening as per notification at Guelins Tavern.

The committee on the By Laws made a report which report was accepted and it was voted that said report be drawn of into the Ordery Book and be signed by each member of the Company and from hence be the Constitution and By Laws of the Company.

Voted that a subscription be opened to pay for printing said Constitution.

Voted to pay Mr Jackson five dollars for an Eagle and that a subscription be opened to raise the money.

Voted to meet at the armory at such time as the Commander may see fit to notify. —

# Constitution.

Preamble. The same as the original.

## Article First.

The company shall bear the name and title of the Columbian Guards.

## Article Second.

Any person desirous of joining the company, must be proposed to the Committee on Admission of members, and by them to the company at one meeting at least previous to the one at which he is balloted for, and if three fourths of the ballots shall be given favourable to his admission, and all the members have been regularly notified of the time and place of meeting, they shall then be considered a member of the Company: — Provided he subscribes this Constitution and hold himself responsible to its requisitions, and pay the sum of two dollars for the use of the company.

## Article Third.

Each member shall, as soon after admission as practicable, furnish himself with the uniform of the company, under the direction of the Ensign.

## Article Fourth.

Each person admitted a member will be furnished with arms and Equipments complete, which are to be kept in the Company's Armory, subject to the disposal of the Company only, and no article which is deposited in the armory, being the property of the company shall be taken therefrom except by order of the Commander.

## Article Fifth.

The adjutants, Sergeants and Corporals shall be elected at a meeting of the Company regularly called for the purpose, by a majority of the votes of the members present.

## Article Sixth.

At all meetings of the Company, the senior officer present shall preside, and the most strict attention shall be given to his commands. Neglect of this article shall be considered improper and unsoldierlike conduct.

## Article Seventh.

Inasmuch as we have associated ourselves together, exclusively with a view to obtain a perfect acquaintance with the military science; as we are and ought to be and continue a military not a political company, and impressed with the belief that if we are disunited with disputes from whatever cause they may arise, instead of being attended with prosperity the company will eventually be destroyed, we do therefore mutually and solemnly pledge ourselves, that we will not at any of our



meetings declare in any manner, whatsoever, our political opinions; neither in the elections which may hereafter be made of officers will suffer the political tenets of any candidates to have any weight in our minds in examining their qualifications: and furthermore, this shall not be urged as an objection against the admission to the company of any gentleman who may be proposed.

#### Article Eighth

It is hereby declared to be the duty of the Lieutenant and Ensign, whenever the company shall assemble in uniform, particularly to examine the dress of each member, and if negligence or deficiency with respect to any one article of uniform be discovered, they shall make known to the Commander the name of such delinquent, who is hereby directed to impose the fine which is required by the fifteenth article.

#### Article Ninth

The duty of the adjutant, whose rank shall be next to the Ensign shall be to instruct new members in facings and turnings, manual and platoon exercises, when ordered by the commander, when drilling or parading. He may call to his assistance either of the Sergeants or Corporals. It is also his duty to see that the sections wheel square and cover and change the position of their arms when on the march.

#### Article Tenth

It shall be the duty of the Orderly Sergeant to attend every meeting and form the company when ordered to appear for drill or parade: he shall also assist the Adjutant in instructing new members.

#### Article Eleventh

One of the company, other than the Commissioned Officer, Adjutant and Orderly Sergeant shall be appointed Clerk by the commander and it shall be his duty to keep true and correct rolls of the company, together with the state of the arms and equipments of each man, which he must annually revise, as the law requires; he shall record all orders and proceedings of the company in an orderly book, which shall never be abridged from the company, and shall be open at all meetings, for the inspection and examination of any member. In this book he shall describe all details of detachments and all orders received from the commander; he shall give a written notice of their admission to all new members, state in the company book the time of their admission and furnish them with a copy of this constitution. When any member is regularly dismissed from the company, he must give notice within one week to the clerk of the standing company of the ward within which such member resides. It shall furthermore be his duty at every meeting

of the company, to call the roll thereof within twenty minutes after the time at which they were ordered to assemble, to note such members as may be tardy or absent the whole meeting; and within ten days to demand and collect such fines as arise from a breach of any of these Rules, and within thirty days, to take necessary measures to recover all fines which may be incurred by an infraction of the laws of Massachusetts, under the penalty of five times the amount of each fine in the former case, and three dollars for each fine of the latter description. He shall keep a regular account book, in which he shall record the names of the members from whom he receives any fines, the amount of such fines, and for the breach of what law they were inflicted. - on receipt of money from any member, he shall immediately place it in the hands of the Treasurer from whom he shall take receipts. Further the Clerk, when directed by the commander shall notify all the members of every meeting, by signing written or printed notifications, which he may distribute in equal parts among the Sergeants or Corporals; and it is declared to be their duty, immediately on their receipt, to deliver them to each member to whom they are addressed.

#### Article Twelfth

There shall be elected annually or oftener if necessary, a Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to receive all monies from the Clerk, the receipt of which he shall record in a book kept for that purpose, with the time when such money is received; to keep correct accounts of all expenditures; to collect all assessments; to pay all bills after they shall have been approved by a Commissioned Officer; and annually in April, to make and exhibit correct accounts of all receipts and expenditures and of the money remaining in his hands, and pay over the same in such manner as the company may appoint. It is also his duty to keep a true and perfect schedule of all property belonging to the company and regularly to notice in writing any article which may be lost or missing. He shall make a charge of all articles which are put into the hands of the armorer and as often as necessary account with him in respect to the same. He shall make out two schedules of property which he may deliver the armorer one of which he shall give to the armorer, the other keep for the use of the company.

#### Article Thirteenth

An armorer shall be chosen annually or oftener if necessary, whose duty it shall be to take charge



of the armory and its contents. He will receive a schedule of all property put into his hands, from the Treasurer and will be held accountable for all such property delivered to him, as upon special trust.

#### Article Fourteenth.

Assessments shall be imposed by the standing committee on assessments, to defray all expenses incurred by a regular vote of the company and any member who neglects to pay such sums as he may be regularly assessed, within twenty days from such sum being demanded, shall be reported to the company by said standing committee and if he still refuse to pay, he shall be dishonorably discharged from the company.

#### Article Fifteenth.

Any non commissioned officer or private who shall absent himself from any meeting, of the company, or retire before adjournment without permission, is tardy or negligent in his dress, incurs the following fines

For non attendance on first roll call on days of public parade 50 cts  
For do. at drills and other meetings. 25 cts privates, 50 cts -  
non commissioned officers. 75 cts commissioned officers -  
For non appearance at first roll call at drills and other meetings. 12 1/2 cts privates, 25 non commissioned officers  
87 1/2 cts commissioned officers. —  
For retiring from any meeting without leave \$ 100.  
For negligence in dress 50c  
For neglect to attend the four drills meetings previous to any public parade \$100  
All fines are to be collected by the clerk who is empowered so to do by suit or otherwise.

#### Article Sixteenth.

Meetings shall be called semi-annually, in the months of April and November, for the purpose of making choice the following standing committees; of taking into consideration pecuniary concerns of the company and for the transaction of such other business as may then present itself.  
A committee of three, who shall hold their places until others are chosen and whose duties it shall be to enquire into, and if possible to settle all disputes which may arise relative to the company concerns; if they find it impossible so to do, they shall make report of the whole matter to the company with their opinion thereon.

A committee whose duties it shall be, to procure such music for all company parades, as the company may order.

A committee whose duties it shall be to examine the clerks and Treasurers accounts and report thereon at the next subsequent meeting.

A committee whose duties it shall be to enquire

concerning the character of each person proposed for admission, and if they find it worthy, to propose him to the company according to article second.

A committee whose duties it shall be to lay all assessments which may be required to defray any company debt.

#### Article Seventeenth.

At every meeting for the transaction of company business, the Clerk shall act in the capacities of Secretary, and he shall draw up on paper a correct account of the proceedings, and within two days thereafter, transcribe it on the records of the company. In case of absence of the Clerk, a member shall be appointed to discharge the duties of Secretary, who shall on the day succeeding the meeting, present to the Clerk a true report of the proceedings, for insertion in the Company book.

#### Article Eighteenth.

The member first named as one of any committee shall act as chairman; and he shall give notice to other members of the time and place of their meeting for the transaction of the business with which they are entrusted, and if he neglects to notify, he shall forfeit fifty cents; and if any member after receiving such notice, absents himself from the meeting, he incurs the same fine.

#### Article Nineteenth.

No vote passed by the company shall be repealed at a subsequent meeting unless a greater number are present than there was at the time it was passed, or unless a majority of the company are in favor of such repeal.

#### Article Twentieth.

Any member wishing to withdraw from the corps must make known his desire to the company and if the members shall think proper, the Commander shall procure for him an honorable discharge; provided that no member shall receive a discharge until every debt he ~~may~~ owe the company shall be liquidated.

#### Article Twenty First.

Any amendment or alteration of the constitution must be proposed one meeting at least previous to its being acted upon and if three fourths of the members of the whole company vote in favor of the amendment or alteration it shall be in force accordingly.

#### Article Twenty Second

The Commander is hereby empowered to order the company to assemble for military exercises on the



transaction of company business, at such times and as often as he may think necessary.

### Article Twenty third.

As the tenth day of July is the anniversary of the birth day of Columbus, the discovery of our country from whom we have derived our name, we do agree that this day shall be celebrated as our anniversary.

### Article Twenty fourth.

This constitution shall be recorded and subscribed by each member. Each member shall be furnished with a copy of it, which it shall be his duty to preserve with all care and to deliver up to the commander, previous to receiving a discharge from the company.

### Article Twenty fifth.

This constitution is hereby declared not to be binding upon those who are denominated fine and certificate members, in such parts as are manifestly not intended to apply to them.

Subscriber Names	When admitted	When discharged
Joseph T Boyd	Previous to adopting the above Constitution	
Abiel Smith	Isaac Blanchard	
Geo. W. Muller	Benj. E. Blanchard	
John Lockhart	Elihu B. State	
Eliot Leighton	Michael Phillips	
John T. Parker	John M. Mott	
Gardner Johnson	Joseph W. Baxter	
E. Caberelle	John Rollins	
John Harwood	Stephen Jones	
Elmore Jackson	James Gardner	
Phillips Stetson	Edward Miskelly	
John Emerson		
John D. Dwyer	Martin T. Thompson	
Robert Pradley	John Mullett	
Walter P. P.	Thomson Carr	Feb 19 1838
Joseph Fletcher		

Subscriber Names	When admitted	When discharged
Isaac Blanchard	May 16 1832	
Benj. E. Blanchard	April 2 1832	
Elihu B. State	April 2 1832	
Michael Phillips	" 16 1832	
John M. Mott	" " " "	
Joseph W. Baxter	" " " "	
John Rollins	" " " "	
Stephen Jones	" " " "	
James Gardner	April 2 1832	
Edward Miskelly	August 22	
Richard S. Abbott		
John Holt		
Joseph Palmer		
John Gibbs Jr		
Calvin Simonds		
James C. Littlefield		
Lyman Page		
Amos R. Doxter		
Benjamin F. Atwood		
Ephraim Bailey Jr	April 22 1836	
Philip Potters	May 11 1836	
Rowland Hill	June 7 1836	
Henry F. John Goddard		
Isaac L. Smith	April 22 1836	
John C. Hancock		
Joseph W. Glazier	April 19 1837	
William Blackman	April 22 1837	
Thos. Brinkley		
Martin Burkes Jr		
Charles Simonds		
Enrich Look		
S. Frederick Gustig		
Thomas D. Rice	April 18 1837	
George R. Swift		
Daniel Gardner	April 14 1837	
Robert Pradley	April 14 1837	
William Morris		
Kendall Mallory		
David S. Tucker		
George M. Pelee		
Wm. Gaskin		
Gilman Fuller		



Monday Dec 13<sup>th</sup> 1831

Agreeable to a vote: the Company Paraded under arms to Deposit the remains of their late fellow Soldier Sicut John Dorr with the request of his Friends the day was fine & the Corps done Honour to themselves & their Officers.

a committee was appointed to get music for the occasion. At the last meeting it was voted to adjourn till a fortnight from the next meeting

Voted to have the By Laws Printed as accepted by the

G. Johnson Clerk

Wednesday Evening March 16<sup>th</sup> 1831

the Company met at their armory for the transaction of business and voted to choose a committee to examine the Clerks and Treasurers Books and report at the next meeting the committee consisted of Messrs Lawrence and Barker

voted to admit Mr Edward Parker a member of the Company which was unanimous and then adjourned till a fortnight from this evening

Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1831

Company according to adjournment and Mr Norman Mason was proposed for admission adjourned to the next Wednesday evening following

Wednesday Evening April 6<sup>th</sup> 1831

Company met at the armory for drill and such other business as might come before them

Mr Norman Mason and Mr Ezra Eaton were admitted members of the Company by an unanimous vote

voted to choose the following Standing Committees for the year ensuing

1<sup>st</sup> A committee to settle all disputes that might arise in the Company

Messrs Kennedy and Barker

2<sup>d</sup> A committee to inquire into the Characters of members proposed before admission

Messrs Lawrence, Pitts and Leighton

3<sup>d</sup> A committee to lay all assessments to defray the Expence of the Company

Messrs Barker, Kennedy, & Leighton

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1831

1<sup>st</sup> voted to choose a committee to procure such music at all company parades as the company may direct Messrs Crapo, Kennedy & Barker

voted to choose a committee to select a candidate for Clerk

Messrs Barker, Crapo & Pitts

committee reported in favor of Eliot Leighton and was accepted

voted to parade at half past 8 o'clock on May the third to have 7 pieces of music

voted to adjourn to Wednesday Evening next at 7 o'clock  
Eliot Leighton Clerk

Wednesday evening April 20<sup>th</sup> 1831

voted that Mr James wishally be Discharged from the Company

voted that the Company purchase a uniform now belonging to Mr mellen consisting of a Coat Lap and Trowsers

Attest J. Eliot Leighton Clerk

Company Orders

To Eliot Leighton

you are hereby ordered to warn and ~~give~~ give your days notice to all the non-commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the Company under my command by Delivering to each man in person or by leaving at his last and usual place a written or printed Order Directing him to appear with a uniform complete at the armory on Tuesday the third day of May next at 9 o'clock in the forenoon for military duty on which he fail not and make return to me of your Doings hereon. Before the day of appearance dated at Charleston this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1831

(Signed)

Capt

Return

This certifies that I have warned and notified according to law all the Non Commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the Columbian Guards according to the above Orders

Charleston April 27<sup>th</sup> 1831

(Signed) Eliot Leighton Clerk

The C. G.



Charlestown April 27<sup>th</sup> 1831

The Company met at their Armory and Mr. Thomas H. Cutter was unanimously Admitted a member of the Company and adjourned to next Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock

Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1831 money collected \$73.72

The Company met according to order in uniform. The day was warm and pleasant. The Company left the Hall at half past ten and marched as far as the Neck and returned to the Eagle Hotel and partook of some refreshments and marched to Boston and from thence to Cambridge where they went through several military manoeuvres and partook of some refreshment at Mr. Johnson's Hotel and at 4 o'clock marched to the Bunker House where they partook of an excellent collation. We then went to Bunker Hill and after going through manoeuvres marched to the Hall and after transacting some business were dismissed.

voted to have the Band on the tenth of July none it being our Anniversary  
voted to adjourn at 12 o'clock voted to adjourn to next Wednesday evening

Attest Eliot Lighthouse

May 11<sup>th</sup> 1831

Company met at the armory for drill and business and Mr. Abigail Blanchard was proposed for admission voted to adjourn to next Wednesday evening at 8 past 7 o'clock

Charlestown May 18<sup>th</sup> 1831

The Company met at their Armory and Mr. Abigail Blanchard was unanimously Admitted a member of the Company

### Company Orders

To Eliot Lighthouse  
You are hereby ordered to warn and give ten days notice to all the non-commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the Company under my command by delivering to each man in person or by leaving at his last and usual place of abode a written or printed order directing him to appear at the Armory for the purpose of choosing a Lieutenant and Ensign on the twentieth day of June at 8 o'clock in the afternoon

Whereof I will not and make return to me of your doings herein before the day of appearance Date at Charlestown this seventh day of June 1831

(Signed)

Capt

### Return

This certifies that I have received and satisfied according to law all the non-commissioned Officers and Privates Enrolled in the Columbus Guards under your command

Charlestown June 9<sup>th</sup> 1831

Eliot Lighthouse Clerk of the C. G.

Charlestown June 15<sup>th</sup> 1831

Company met at the Armory for the transaction of business and voted to choose a committee of five to select candidates for Lieutenant and Ensign consisting of the following persons viz

- Joshua Stoddard
- John Crafts
- Samuel Williams
- Walter Pitts
- Charles Mullett

The committee after retiring a few minutes reported Mr. Joseph Lawrence as Lieutenant and Mr. Selden Crockett as Ensign

Mr. Lawrence declined standing as a candidate and was excused. The committee then retired again and reported Mr. Selden Crockett as Lieutenant and Mr. Edward R. Dorr as Ensign which report was accepted

I voted to dispense with parading on the tenth of July the day of our anniversary and parade on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July to do exact duty at the meeting of the young men and citizens in general of Charlestown

Attest Eliot Lighthouse



# Company Orders

To Eliot Leighton.  
 you are hereby ordered to warn and give  
 ten days notice to all the non commissioned  
 officers and Privates enrolled in the  
 company under my command by Delivering  
 to each man in person or by leaving at  
 his last and usual place of abode a written  
 Order Directing him to appear at the Armory  
 for the purpose of choosing a Lieutenant and  
 Ensign on the Twentieth day of June next  
 at 8 o'clock in the afternoon  
 Hereof fail not and make return to me of  
 your doings herein before the day of appearance  
 Date at Charlestown this Seventh day  
 of June 1831

For J. Boye } Capt

## Return

This certifies that I have warned and  
 notified according to law all the non  
 commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled  
 in the company under your command

Eliot Leighton Clerk

Charlestown June the 20<sup>th</sup> 1831

According to Order the company met at their  
 Armory for the choice of Lieutenant and Ensign  
 at which time Mr Selden Crockett was  
 unanimously elected Lieut and accepted  
 Mr Norman Mason Ensign and

voted to parade on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July by an Order  
 voted to adjourn to the next Friday Evening  
 at half past 8 o'clock

Charlestown June the 20<sup>th</sup> 1831

The company met at their Armory  
 according to adjournment for Drill and  
 Business and  
 voted to parade on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at  
 7 o'clock A.M.  
 voted to choose a committee of 3 to procure  
 uniforms

Edmonds  
 Jackson  
 Howard

Monday Charlestown June 27<sup>th</sup> 1831  
 The company met at the Armory for  
 Drill and Business at which time they  
 received an invitation from the  
 Hon. Edward Everett to visit  
 his House in Town Hill Street on  
 Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July next at 9 o'clock  
 voted to accept the invitation and those  
 of committee to inform him that they  
 should attend  
 Boye & Crockett

# Company Orders

To Eliot Leighton  
 you are hereby ordered to warn and give  
 four day notice to all the noncommissioned  
 Officers and Privates enrolled in the company  
 under my command by Delivering to each  
 man in person or by leaving at his last  
 and usual place of abode a written or printed  
 Order directing him to appear with the  
 arms and Equipments required by law at  
 the Armory in uniform complete on the  
 fourth day of July next at 9 o'clock in the  
 forenoon for military duty and those  
 who fail not  
 wait for further Orders thereof fail not  
 and make return to me of your doings  
 herein before the day of appearance Date at  
 Charlestown this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1831

## Return

This certifies that I have warned and  
 notified according to law all the noncommis-  
 sioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the  
 company under your command

Charlestown June the 30<sup>th</sup> 1831 Eliot Leighton

Charlestown July 7<sup>th</sup> 1831

Company met according to Order and  
 proceeded to Mr Edward Everett's where we  
 were very cordially received and partook  
 of some refreshments after which we perform-  
 ed the Evnt Duty for the day under the  
 command of Capt. Richard  
 Eliot Leighton

Assessments \$200  
 money received \$67.50



Charlestown Friday Even August 12<sup>th</sup> 1831  
Company met at their armory for drill  
and other Business and Mr James Gardner was  
Proposed for admission and then Adjourned to the  
next Monday Even the 15<sup>th</sup> inst for the choice of  
Orderly Sergeant

Monday Evening August 15<sup>th</sup> 1831  
The Company met according to adjournment  
and Mr Edward R. Davis was unanimously  
Elected 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant  
Voted to raise the remaining two Sergeants up  
And Mr Samuel Williams was unanimously  
Elected 4<sup>th</sup> Sergeant it was then  
Voted to raise the remainder of the warrant  
Officers up and

Our noncommissioned Officers now stand  
as follows  
Edward R. Davis 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant  
Lucius Perry 2<sup>d</sup> " "  
Eliot Lightton 3<sup>d</sup> " "  
Samuel Williams 4<sup>th</sup> " "  
Joseph Cunnell 1<sup>st</sup> Corporal &  
Thomas Casham 2<sup>d</sup> " "  
Aaron Crowell 3<sup>d</sup> " "  
John Perry 4<sup>th</sup> " "  
John Chapin 5<sup>th</sup> " "

Mr William Richardson was unanimously  
Admitted as member of the Company  
Voted to Adjourn to next Wednesday Evening in  
Sept: next at 7 o'clock  
Attest } Eliot Lightton Clerk

Wednesday Even Sept: 7<sup>th</sup> 1831  
The Company met according to adjournment  
at their Armory for Drill and other Business  
& Mr Ambrose Boyden was unanimously  
Admitted a member  
Voted to have three Pieces of music  
muster  
Voted to choose a Committee of 3 to  
Procure six new uniform Coats at the  
Expense of the Company the Committee to consist  
of the following Persons  
J. F. Boyce  
N. Mason  
E. Lightton

J. F. Boyce  
N. Mason  
Adjourned to Sept: 14<sup>th</sup> 1831  
at 7 o'clock

Wednesday Even Sept: 14 1831  
The Company met at their Armory for  
Drill and other Business and  
Mr Thomas R. Clark  
was unanimously admitted a member of the  
Company  
Voted to fill the vacancy in the Committee of  
Amusements occasioned by the absence of Mr  
Barker and Mr Williams was therefore  
chosen for that Purpose  
Voted to choose a Committee of six to procure  
uniforms for muster consisting of the  
following Persons

Howard Edmonds Paddox  
Cunnell Perry Shullett  
Voted to Adjourn to Friday evening Sept: 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 o'clock

Friday Even Sept: 16<sup>th</sup> 1831  
The Company met according to adjournment  
and after procuring some music from the  
Army band went out of the hall and marched  
up main street for the week and returned  
to Mr Bigelow's the Eagle Hotel where  
we partook of some refreshments and were  
served with some fine songs from Mr  
Paddox and Mr Cunnell after which  
we proceeded to the Armory an assessment  
of 25<sup>cts</sup> was laid on each member present to  
defray the expense of the evening 2,25<sup>cts</sup>  
were received  
Voted to adjourn to Wednesday Sept: 21<sup>st</sup> 1831

General Orders  
To Sergeant Lightton  
you are ordered to warn and give four days  
Notice to all the noncommissioned officers and  
Privates enrolled in the Company under my command  
by delivering to each man in person or by leaving at  
his last or usual place of abode a written or printed  
Order directing him to appear with the arms and  
Equipments required by law at the armory on  
Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> day Sept: at 5 o'clock A.M. for mili-  
tary duty in uniform complete thereof fail not  
and make return to me of your Obedience herein  
Before the day of appearance dated at Charlestown  
this Twelfth day of Sept: 1831

Jos J. Boyce. Capt



# Return

this certifies that i have wanner unidentified  
According to law all the non-commissioned  
Officers and privates enrolled in the Company  
under your command dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept  
Eliot Leighton 1831  
Clark of C. G.

Charlestown Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 1831  
the Company met at the Armory for  
Drill & p  
voted to stop in west Cambridge over  
Night after muster and adjourned

Fuesday morning Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 1831 assessment \$50  
the Company met at the armory according  
to order and proceeded to west Cambridge and  
per order of the Colonel we marched on to the  
Seine at half past ten after which the two Regiments  
marched seperately one commanded by Col. Stratton  
and the other by Col. Stiles and formed  
both on one field and after the inspection were  
dismissed for dinner about 3 o'clock. The day being  
rainy and uncomfortable there was but little  
done about 4 past 4 o'clock the Regiment was  
called to order and its raining very fast and  
our Commanders coinciding with the views of  
Colonel Stiles probably caused it to rain somewhat  
faster and the Col finding it somewhat difficult to  
Command and was therefore dismissed owing to the  
unpleasantness of the weather and receiving a very  
polite invitation from some of our Charlestown  
Friends to march to Charlestown and partake of some  
refreshments at their expense we gave up the idea  
of stopping over night we arrived at Mr Bigelows  
about 1/2 past 7 o'clock in the evening and after  
passing about two hours in social friendship with  
singing songs and sentiments over a cup of  
hot coffee and tea as best suited the palate  
we concluded by

Forward

Polish

Charlestown October 4<sup>th</sup> 1831  
the Company met at the Armory at 12 o'clock  
for parade 350 were assessed to defray the  
expenses of the Day Left the Hall at 1/2 past one  
o'clock with 20 pieces of music and marched to  
medford where we took some refreshments at  
Mr Rendell's Hotel and from thence we  
marched to Malden and then partook of  
some more refreshments and then marched  
to Charlestown and at 8 o'clock set down  
at an excellent hot supper provided by  
Mr Bigelow at the Eagle Hotel with a number  
of invited guests money collected by assessment  
\$111.40

Wednesday Evening Nov 16 1831  
the Company met at Mr Bigelows Hotel  
and voted to lay an assessment on the members  
present of 25 cents to pay Mr Edward Mitchell the  
sum of \$3.75 which was collected of him  
as a fine by Capt Sanborn after doing duty  
in the Guard - Envy -  
voted to adjourn to 3 three weeks from this  
evening

Charlestown March 7<sup>th</sup> 1832  
the Company met at Mr G Bigelows Hotel for  
the transaction business.  
voted to choose a committee of three to examine the clerks  
and Treasurers Books consisting of the following persons  
Messrs E. Linnell, Pincus, and Eaton.  
voted to admit the following gentlemen members of the  
Company Messrs James Gardner, William C Howe  
and Benjamin Hemmingway  
Mr Philipp Hichborn was proposed for membership  
voted that Mr Amos Perry have a Discretionary discharge  
from this Company  
voted to adjourn to three weeks from to night March 28<sup>th</sup>  
Charlestown

Wednesday Evening March 28 1832  
Company met at the Eagle Hotel [Bigelows] and  
Mr Philip Hichborn was admitted a member of the  
Company by an unanimous vote.  
voted to choose a committee of three to select a candidate  
Treasurer Eaton, Crockett, and Crowell.  
Reported Mr William Sawyer which was accepted  
and Mr Sawyer was unanimously elected Treasurer  
the following non-commissioned Officers were unanimously  
elected Mr Ezra C Eaton as fourth sergeant  
Messrs Walter Pith, E. G. Linnell, and John Hovey as Corporals



Result of the Court Martial Held in Charlestown

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Third Division of the Militia.  
Head Quarters East Sudbury March 29<sup>th</sup> 1832  
Division Orders

The Division court martial which by an Order of the 31<sup>st</sup> of January last was ordered to convene at the County Court house in Cambridge on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February last where Col. Samuel Chandler of the 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade is President for the trial of Capt Joseph F. Boyd Commanding Officer of a Light Infantry Company called the Columbian Guards Annexed to the 15 Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade on the complaint of Col Theodore L. Stiles Commanding Officer of said 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment

The Court did then and there assemble and the Major General has received the records of the proceedings of said Court together with several papers accompanying the same he has carefully examined the same and by the record thereof it appears that the Court adjudged that all the several charges and specifications of charges against Capt Joseph F. Boyd, that he is not guilty of any or either of them and therefore decided that the said Joseph F. Boyd be honorably acquitted

The Major General after carefully examining the testimony in the case which the above mentioned several decisions are founded on and also weighing the answers to the charges and the arguments in defence, approves of the doings of the Court.

Capt Joseph F. Boyd is released from his arrest. The Court martial of which Col Samuel Chandler is President is dissolved. Brigadiers General Tarbell and General Will direct that this Order be handed down agreeably to law and usage. General Tarbell will furnish Capt Boyd with a copy thereof

Signed M. H. Rutter

Major Genl 3 Division Mass

Copy attested M. H. Rutter Jr  
Adj. de. Camp  
Copy attested John Tarbell  
Brig Genl

1B 32 M.H.

Charlestown April 2<sup>d</sup> 1832

The Company met according to Adjournment and the following Gentlemen were admitted members of this company  
Messrs Edward Miskelly. Elazer F. Stiel. Benjamin Blanchard.  
Unanimously

Noted, to choose Mr Robert Paddock as an assistant drummer

Noted to Parade on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April at 11 O. Clock A.M. in uniform complete and have the Boston Brigade Band  
A committee of three were appointed to procure uniforms  
Messrs Pinard. Eaton. and Mason.  
Noted to Appoint a committee of four to procure uniforms  
Messrs Howard. Paddock. Gullett and Gardner  
Noted to Adjourn to Friday Evening next at 1/2 Past 7 O. Clock

Charlestown April 11<sup>th</sup> 1832

The Company met at their armory at 11 O. Clock in uniform on account of the honorable acquittal of their Commander at the late Court martial they left the armory at one O. Clock under the command of Lt Crockett and received Capt Boyd at his house from there they marched to Boston where they marched through several of the principle streets and after halting a few minutes on the Common proceeded to East Cambridge from there to Charlestown neck where they partook of some refreshments at four O. Clock from there they marched through the principle streets in Charlestown and at eight O. Clock set down to an elegant supper provided by G. Bigelow at the Eagle Hotel with a number of invited guests among whom were Col John B. Davis of Boston who made some appropriate remarks on the occasion and after two hours merry glee and a large number of sentiments. and songs of which was sung by Mr Rags composed for the occasion they adjourned without date



# Company Orders

To Eliot Leighton  
 you are hereby ordered to warn and give  
 four days notice to all the non commissioned  
 officers and privates enrolled in the company  
 under my command by delivering to each man  
 person or by leaving at his last and usual place  
 of abode a written or printed order directing him  
 to appear with the arms and equipments requi-  
 red by law at their armory in Charlestown on  
 Tuesday the first day of may next at one o'clock  
 the afternoon for military duty  
 hereof fail not and make return to me of your  
 doings herein before the day of appearance  
 Dated at Charlestown this twenty first day  
 of April 1832

Jos F Boye Capt

## Return

this certifies that i have examined and  
 notified all the non commissioned officers and  
 privates enrolled in the company under your  
 command  
 Charlestown April 27<sup>th</sup> Eliot Leighton Clerk C & G  
 1832

Charlestown April 27<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory  
 and Messrs John S. Hurrewell and  
 Stephen Jones were admitted  
 members unanimously Adjourned to  
 next Tuesday at 1 o'clock  
 Attest Eliot Leighton

Charlestown May 1<sup>st</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory  
 at one o'clock according to order assessments 75<sup>cts</sup>  
 amount collected \$19, 84<sup>100</sup>

Wednesday evening May 16<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 company met at their armory for the transaction  
 of business and the following gentlemen were  
 admitted members of the company

Watts Emerson, Thomas Harnett

Isaac Blanchard, John Rollins

Joseph Baxter

Wednesday evening May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory and voted  
 to admit the following gentlemen members of  
 the company by an unanimous vote

Amos R. Deoaster

John Gibbs

voted to have 8 pieces music for July 10<sup>th</sup>  
 music committee

Doir. Eaton and Gardner.

voted to Adjourn to Wednesday evening next

Wednesday Evening May 30<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory for drill  
 and other business  
 voted to have their pantaloons trimmed similar  
 to the pattern exhibited by our own

voted to choose a committee to collect pantaloons  
 for trimming consisting of the following  
 persons

James Gardner

John Emerson

Charles Mullett

Adjourned to Wednesday evening next

Wednesday evening June 6<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met according to adjournment  
 and voted that Mr Thomas Wheel have an  
 Honorable Discharge  
 voted to go out of the Hall for drill next Wednesday  
 evening with two pieces of music

Wednesday Eveg June 13<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory for drill  
 and other business went out of the Hall with  
 fifty two guns after marching around Charlestown  
 we proceeded to Charlestown with where we went  
 through several military manouvers and  
 returned home  
 voted to have the following persons for music  
 on the 10<sup>th</sup> of July

Delano,

Raymond

Bartlett

Ames

Field

Smith

Putnam

Timson



voted to assess 12<sup>cts</sup> each to discharge the expense  
of the evening concert collected \$337  
Cash paid music 1200  
137

Charleston June 27<sup>th</sup> 1832

the company met at their armory and  
voted to accept the invitation of Genl Tyler  
to join in the military procession at Boston  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July next  
voted unanimously to dispense with the  
proposed parade on the morning of 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
voted to dispense our present white Belts and  
Substitute Black in their stead  
Committee to carry the foregoing into effect  
Consisting of 4

E. L. Eaton  
James Gardner  
John Ensign  
Philippe Hickbourn

voted that the above committee have power  
to sell the chandlery and all other such  
articles of no use to the company and  
appropriate the avails thereof toward the  
Belts &c as ordered to Monday evening next at 8 o'clock

Monday evening July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1832

the company met and according to  
Agreement and  
voted to admit Mr John Holt as mem-  
ber of the company unanimously  
voted to dispense with music to march  
to Boston on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July

Abel E Leighton Clerk

Charleston July 4<sup>th</sup> 1832  
chose a committee to procure Refresh-  
ments for the 10<sup>th</sup> Consisting of the  
following Gentlemen  
Lincoln  
Edmond  
Paddock

voted that Mr Josiah Ringball have an  
honorable discharge from the company  
& appr that 3 Abel Leighton Clerk

## Company Orders

to Eliot Leighton  
you are ordered to warrant and give four days  
notice to all the noncommissioned officers and  
Privates enrolled in the company under my command  
by delivering to each man in person or by leaving  
at his last and usual place of abode a written or  
printed order directing him to appear with the  
arms and equipments required by law at their  
armory in uniform on Tuesday the 10 day of July inst  
at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for military duty  
and there wait for further orders hereof fail  
not and make return to me of your doings herein  
before the day of appearance Dated a Charleston this  
4 day of July 1832

Joseph F Boase Capt

## Return

this certifies that I have warranted and notified  
according to law all non commissioned officers  
and Privates enrolled in the company above said  
above named

~~Eliot Leighton~~  
Eliot Leighton Clerk



July 10<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met according to order marched  
 to Boston from there back to Charlestown to  
 our Bigelow Hotel and partook of some refreshments  
 After which they marched to the neck and to Bunker  
 Hill where they performed several light gauding  
 manouvers from there to the hall

Assessments \$125  
 \$69.72 money collected from company  
 3 or volunteers

Whole amount \$73.72

Company voted unanimously that any active member  
 belonging to the company who shall be absent when ordered  
 out for publick service shall make some satisfactory excuse  
 to the company or shall be held accountable for his  
 fines and also his assessments an equal amount as paid  
 by members present and in noncompliance with  
 this shall receive a Dishonorable Discharge from the company

Asst J E Leighton Clerk

Wednesday even August 1<sup>st</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory and  
 voted to choose a committee of 3 to select candidates  
 for noncommissioned officers

James Gardner  
 John Howard  
 Benjamin Blanchard

committee reported the following gentlemen for  
 candidates

Walter Ritts as Sergeant  
 John Howard 5  
 Philip Hickbourn 6  
 Perkins Norton 7  
 John Gibbs 8

voted that the above report be accepted and the  
 above gentlemen were unanimously elected  
 the noncommissioned officers now stand as follows

Sergeants  
 1 Edward McDow  
 2 Eliot Leighton  
 3 Ezra Eaton  
 4 Walter Ritts

Companions  
 1 Aaron Crowell  
 2 Thomas Lasham  
 3 John Croft  
 4 Elbridge Cunnell  
 5 John Howard  
 6 Philip Hickbourn  
 7 Perkins Norton  
 8 John Gibbs

The following gentlemen were by an unanimous  
 vote admitted members of this company

Thomas A Gerry  
 Edward Burdett  
 Ephraim Bailey  
 Agnew

Wednesday even August 22<sup>d</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory for  
 drill and other business  
 and Mr Richard S Albot was  
 unanimously admitted a member of the company

Thursday even August 30<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory for  
 drill and Mr Benjamin F Atwood was  
 admitted a member of the company  
 Unanimously

Friday even Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 the company met at their armory for drill  
 and the transaction of other business and  
 Mr Winthrop Gaptall  
 and Mr Cyrus Page  
 were admitted members of the company  
 by an unanimous vote

Wednesday even Sept 12<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 voted that the members of this company  
 wear the usual badge of mourning for  
 thirty days as a token of respect for their  
 late worthy member Mr Isaac Blanchard  
 voted that notice to that effect be published in  
 Bunker Hill Aurora and Boston Evening  
 Transcript Agnewes to Friday even next

Wednesday even Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 company met at their armory and the  
 following gentlemen were admitted  
 members of the company by an unanimous  
 vote Mr Benjamin B Burdett

Mr Samuel Rhoades  
 committee to provide for muster consisting  
 of four  
 Eaton  
 Ritts  
 Boylston  
 Leighton



Friday Even 21 1832

the Company met at their annony and  
the following Gentlemen were unanimous  
by admitted members of the Company

Thomas Hicock  
Josiah Palmer  
Calvin Simonds Jr  
James C Lickfield

Adjourned to Wednesday evening next

Attest E Leighton  
Clerk

Company Orders  
to Eliot Leighton Clerk of the Columbian Guard  
you are hereby ordered to warn and give four days  
notice to all the noncommissioned Officers and  
Privates enrolled in the Company under my command  
by giving each man in person or by leaving at his  
last and usual place of abode a written or printed  
order directing him to appear with the arms  
and equipments required by law and uniform com-  
plete at their annony on Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of  
September at four o'clock for military duty and there  
wait for further orders  
hereof fail not and make return to me of your  
doing up on or before the Day of appearance  
Dated Charlestown Sept 19 1832

Joseph H Boyd Capt. of Co. C

Return have  
this certifies that warned and notified  
according to law full the noncommissioned  
Officers and Privates enrolled in the Company  
under your command

Eliot Leighton Clerk of Co. C  
Charlestown Sept 25 1832

Friday Sept 28 1832  
the Company met according to order there being  
84 men present assessments \$4.50 whole amount  
collected \$196.05

Charlestown Wednesday Evening <sup>March 27<sup>th</sup></sup> 1833  
the Company met at their annony and  
voted to choose a Committee of 3 to select candidates  
for commissioned Officers consisting of the persons  
Eaton. Blanchard.  
Hickbourn. Marble.  
voted to adjourn to next Wednesday evening

Wednesday evening April 30 1833  
the Company met at their annony and  
voted to add two more to the above Committee  
Kincaid  
Leighton

the Committee reported the following persons  
Lt Selden Crockett for Capt  
Ensign Norman Mason Lt  
David Marble Ensign

Report accepted  
Mr James Gardner was unanimously  
elected Annony  
voted to choose a Committee of 3 to write votes  
for the choice of officers consisting of

E. G. Curwell  
Kincaid  
Leighton  
voted to choose a Committee of three to  
select candidates for noncommissioned  
Officers and Clerk

Kincaid  
Leighton  
Edmonds  
Miskelly  
Adjourned to next Saturday at 10 o'clock

Charlestown Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1833  
the Company met at their annony for the choice of Commissioned  
Officers & noncommissioned officers And the following  
were unanimously Elected

Selden Crockett Capt  
Commissionary Edward R. Dor Lieut  
Norman Mason Ensign

Eliot Leighton 1st Sgt  
Eaton 2d Sgt  
Curwell 3d Sgt  
Hickbourn 4th Sgt



October 10<sup>th</sup> 1832  
the company met at their Armory and  
the following gentlemen were admitted members  
of the Columbia Guards by an unanimous vote

Albert L. Doak  
James Wallace  
Sylvester Penny  
Jeremiah Leach

Charlestown Feb: 6<sup>th</sup> 1833  
the company met at the Eagle Hotel  
(Bigelow's) and the following gentlemen  
were unanimously admitted members of the  
company

Mr Nathaniel Snow

and voted to discharge the following gentlemen

William Skidmore  
Elbridge Jackson  
Michael Phillips  
Adjourned

Company Orders

to Eliot Seighten

You are hereby ordered to warn  
and give ten days notice to all the non com  
missioned officers and privates enrolled in the  
company under my command By Delivering  
to each man in person or by leaving at his  
last and usual place of abode a written or printed  
order directing him to appear at the armory  
on Tuesday the ninth day of April next at one  
o'clock P.M. for the purpose of choosing a Captain  
and to fill any other vacancies that may occur

Whereof fail not and make return to me  
of your Obedience herein before the day of  
Appearance Date at Charlestown this twenty  
seventh day of March 1833

Selden Crockett

Return

this certifies that I have warned and notified  
all the noncommissioned officers and  
privates enrolled in the company under  
your command

Eliot Seighten Clerk

Charlestown Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1833  
the company met At their Armory for the choice of  
Commissioned & noncommissioned officers & the following members  
were unanimously Elected

Commissioned Selden Crockett. Capt  
Edward R. Dorr Lieut  
Norman Mason Ensign

Noncommissioned Elliot Seighten. 1st Sgt  
Efra B. Eaton 2nd Sgt  
Joseph S. Currell 3rd Sgt  
Phillip Hitchcock 4th Sgt

Mr Aaron Crowell was then discharged  
the following Corporals were then chosen

John	Crapo	1
Thomas	Casham	2
Elbridge	J. Currell	3
John	Howard	4
Perkins	Norton	5
John	Gibbs	6
James	Gardner	7
George	Hedmonds	8

Joseph S. Currell was then appointed Clerk  
the following gentlemen were then  
Proposed

John H. Newell  
Edward Edmams  
Nathan M. Hyes Jr

Adjourned To Wednesday Eve April 14



Charlestown April 17. 1833

The Company met at their Armory Wednesday Evening,  
And William Sawyer was unanimously Elected Treasurer  
And ~~Mr. Hunscomb~~

Moses W. Crockett  
Hiram Abbott  
Joseph Hovey  
Nathaniel Apple  
Edward Adams  
John Hunscomb

where, unanimously Admitted members of the Company

Adjourned

Wednesday Evening April 24 the Company  
met at their armory and the following  
business was transacted the following Gent,  
were unanimously Admitted members of the Company

Company Orders

To Sergeant Joseph S. Currell

You are hereby ordered to warn and give four  
days notice to the non commissioned officers and private,  
enrolled in the Company under my command  
By delivering to each man in person or by leaving  
at his last and usual place of abode a written  
or printed order directing him to appear with the  
uniform arms and equipments required by law  
at their armory in uniform complete on  
Tuesday the seventh day of May at 10 o'clock  
P.M. for military duty

Hereof fail not and make and return to me of your  
doings herein before the day of appearance Dated at  
Charlestown this 29 day of April. 1833

Seldon Crockett

Return

This certifies that I have warned and notified according  
to Law all the Non Commissioned officers and private  
enrolled in the Company aforesaid have named

Joseph S. Currell

Charlestown May the 7 1833

The Company met at their Armory Tuesday the 7  
chose A Committee for laying Assessment report 150  
report Accepted chose a committee to select a candidate  
for clerk and 3 sergeant committee report David Marble  
was accordingly chosen no other business being before the  
meeting voted to adjourn, David Marble

Monday Evening May the 27 1833

Columbian Guards met at their Armory

for drilling and the transacting such business as might  
come before them

Voted to have new pantaloons and the following Gen  
were chosen on a committee for that purpose

Seldon Crockett, Eleazer F. Steel, Benjamin  
Burgstead

Voted to have every member fetch his uniform and  
have it examined by the company and if not  
in good order to have it put before the next  
meeting

3 Voted to have every member that had not a good  
ploom to furnish him self with one before the  
next meeting

4 Voted to Choose a clerk in absent of Mr  
David Marble

5 Voted that Philip Hickborn serve as clerk in  
absent of Mr Marble absence no other business before  
the company. Voted to adjourn to Wednesday  
evening

Attest Philip Hickborn



Wednesday Evening May 29 1833

Columbian Guards met at their armory for drill, being no other business before the company adjourn untill Tuesday Evening

Attest Philip Hichborn

Tuesday Evening June 4<sup>th</sup> 1833

Company met according to adjourn for drill and paraded in the street untill 10 o'clock being no other business before the company adjourn untill Friday Evening

Attest Philip Hichborn

Friday Evening June 7<sup>th</sup> 1833

Company met according to adjourn for drill Voted that the Commissioned and Noncommissioned officers meet on Monday Evening for drill and the company on Wednesday evening no other business before the company adjourn untill that time

Attest Philip Hichborn

Monday Evening June 10<sup>th</sup> 1833

Commissioned and Noncommissioned officers met according to appointment for drill being no other business before them adjourn

Attest Philip Hichborn

Wednesday Evening June 12 1833

Company met according to appointment for drill and Richard Hosea was admitted a member by a unanimous vote no other business before the company adjourn

Attest Philip Hichborn

Friday Evening June 14 1833

The Company met at their armory for drill and delivering pantaloon assessments for them \$2.52 each man, no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hichborn

Monday Evening June 17 1833

The Company met at their armory and Voted to Parade in honour of the President of the U.S.

Attest Philip Hichborn

Wednesday Evening June 19<sup>th</sup> 1833

The Company met at their armory for drill and the transacting such business as would come before the company Voted that Benjamin Swift Danforth Sprague be admitted members of the Company no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hichborn

### Company Orders

To Sergeant Philip Hichborn  
You are hereby ordered to warn and give four days notice to all the Non Commissioned officers and privates enrolled in the company under my command by delivering to each man in person or by leaving at his last and usual place of abode a written or printed Order directing him to appear with the arms and equipments required by law at their armory on Monday the 25 day of June at 6 o'clock in the forenoon for military duty with Uniform Complete Hereof fail not and make return to me of your doings herein before the day of appearance dated at Charlestown this the 20 day of June 1833

Selden Crocket



## Return

This certifies that I have warned and notified according to Law all the Non Commissioned officers and privates enrolled in the Company aforesaid above named

Philip Hickborn

Monday June 25. 1833

The Company proceeded according to order in Honour of the President of the U.S. to escort him on to the hill but owing to the weather and the ill state of his health was not able to come the Company proceeded to the hill took of a colation ranks being full with 52 members present proceeded to the armory at 5 o'clock adjourned fore that day \$1.50 the Company then was then dismissed

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday June 27. 1833

The Company by the committee of arrangement request met with one our aid a half with to escort the president into town in that time the company got to quarter 40 members and proceeded to the neck and escorted the President to the hill the Company then proceeded to the neck and took of a colation then proceeded to the armory

Voted that Aaron Crockett be admitted a member of the Company. no other business adjourn to Wednesday Eve

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Evening July 27 1833

The Company met at the armory for drill owing to the warm weather the Company adjourn to Aug 19<sup>th</sup>

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Evening Aug 14 1833

The Company met at the armory for business

Voted to have a festive dress of light blue and the following gentlemen was chosen on a committee to select one and present it before the Company on next Wednesday Eve Edward R. Door, Seldon Crockett, Ezra Bates

Voted to admit Waldo W. Thomas as a member no other business before the Company adjourn

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Evening Aug 21 1833

The Company met at the armory and the Committee presented a cap and Jacket, the former to be had to Mr. Cristy for \$1.50 and the later from Edward R. Door for the same the Company accepted of the request

Voted that the committee be authorized to purchase the cloth for the Jacket.

James Gardner requested a discharge from his office as armorer and was granted

James M. Phipps was chosen armorer. no other business adjourn to Monday Eve

Attest Philip Hickborn

Monday Evening Aug 26 1833

The Company met at the armory for drill and to give the members information concerning their festive Dress no other business adjourn to Wednesday Eve

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Eve Aug 28 1833

The Company met at the armory for drill no other business adjourn



Wednesday Evening Sept 4 1833

The Company met at the armory for drill  
Voted to parade on Friday Sept 13

Voted to have 8 pieces of music and the  
following Gentlemen was chosen on a committee  
for that purpose Nathaniel Ayers, Ezra V. Eaton  
George E. Edmans

Voted to have a colation at Mr Benton or  
Mr Eaton which would furnish the most  
reasonable and a committee was chosen for that  
purpose N. Ayers, T. Gibbs W. Fitts G. E. Edmans  
P. Hickborn no other business adjourn to Monday  
Evening Attest Philip Hickborn

### Company Orders

To Sergeant Philip Hickborn you are hereby  
ordered to warn and give four days notice to all  
Non commission Officers & privates enrolled in the  
Company under my command by delivering to each  
man in person or by leaving at his last and usual  
place of abode a printed Order directing him to appear  
at the armory on Friday the 13 day of Sept next at  
12 o'clock for Military Duty in Uniform complete.

Here of fail not to make return to me of your  
doings before the day of Appearance dated at  
Charleston this 5 day of Sept 1833

Seldon Crockett Capt &c

### Return

This certifies that I have warned all the  
Non commission officers and privates enrolled in the  
Company according to law

Philip Hickborn

Friday Sept 13 1833

The Company met according to order the  
weather being fine with 40 members paraded  
to Boston then returned to Town then partook  
of a colation at Mr Benton's expense for that  
day was \$2.00

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Evening Sept 18 1833

The Company met at the armory and  
Mr Martin Burdett and Mr Page & Gibbs  
were admitted members of the Company  
no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Evening Sept 24 1833

The Company met at the armory for drill and  
the transacting such business as may come before them  
Mr Samuel Brintnal was proposed and admitted  
Voted to choose a committee to find the uniforms  
that belong to the company and the following  
Gentlemen were chosen Charles Muller  
John Howard Benjamin G. Blanchard  
Voted to choose a committee to procure refreshments  
for the Muster Ezra V. Eaton Seldon Crockett  
Eliot Leighton no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hickborn

### Regimental Orders

To Sergeant Philip Hickborn you are hereby  
ordered to warn and give four days notice  
to all the Non commission Officers and privates  
enrolled in the Company under my command by  
delivering to each man in person or by leaving at  
his last and usual place of abode a printed Order



directing him to appear at the armory on Thursday  
at half past five O'clock a.m. in uniform & complete  
for Military Duty Oct 3

Here of fail not and make return to me of  
your doings before the day of appearance  
said at Charlestown Sep 26 1833

Seldon Crockett Capt

Return

This certifies that I have married all the Non  
commission Officers and privates enrolled in the  
company according to law

Attest Philip Hickborn

The Company proceeded according to order the  
weather being very fine with 48 members the  
Company returned in their fatigue dress and wa  
invited by some Gentlemen of Charlestown to  
partake of a collation at Mr Flanders tavern  
Assessment for that day \$2.50

Wednesday Evening Oct 9 1833

The Company met at their armory to see  
if a suitable number could be procured  
to go to fire at the target. Those present  
Voted to go in case 85 Members of the Company  
would go. Voted to choose a committee four that pur  
would go. Voted to choose a committee four that pur  
Capt Wm. Hildborn Blanchard Edwards  
and to report at the next Evening.  
Mr John Harrison was admitted as member  
no other business appears

Attest Philip Hickborn

Monday Evening Oct 14 1833

The Company met at the armory but owing to  
the illness of the commandant adjourned to  
Wednesday Evening

Attest P. Hickborn

Wednesday Evening Oct 16 1833

The Company met at the armory and  
the committee reported that they had procured  
the number voted by the Company. Then  
Voted to proceed at 12 O'clock in their fatigue  
dress. Voted to have four pieces of muskets &  
Capt Crockett was chosen to procure them  
Voted to have a Supper at Mr Flanders  
no other business appears

Attest P. Hickborn

Friday Oct 18 1833

The Company met at noon with 50 members  
the weather was very fine proceeded to Boston  
then to Noddys island then to Mr Flanders and  
partook of an excellent supper with friends and  
past Officers of the company. assessment for  
that day was \$2.25

Attest P. Hickborn

Wednesday Eve Dec 29 1833

The Company met at Mr Flanders tavern  
upon business but their being a few their  
adjourned to the next Wednesday Eve

Wednesday Eve Jan 5 1834

The Company met Voted that a Committee of  
five be chosen to procure signals for a Military  
ball & report on Wednesday Eve next



and the following Gentlemen were Chosen  
Mr Tibson Mr Eaton Mr Flanders Mr Edmonds  
Mr Crockett Mr Decoaster

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Eve Jan 12 1834

The Company met according to adjourn  
the committee reported that they had a  
sufficient number for a ball the Company  
nominated 3. to select Managers. Mr Steel  
Mr Edmonds. Mr Finkade. The Committee  
reported that Mr Hickborn Mr Pitts  
Mr Eaton be Managers  
Mr Hickborn declined as he could not attend

Voted to Excuse Mr Hickborn  
Voted that Mr Myers be added to the committee  
and the Committee report one or more managers  
in place of Mr Hickborn the Committee  
reported that Mr Doherty Mr Decoaster  
serve as Managers

Managers  
Walter Pitts  
Erva C Eaton  
Albert L Doherty  
Amos R Decoaster

Voted to have the ball at Mr Flanders  
Voted to have it a week from Friday Eve

Voted to have five pieces of music

Voted to have five to select music Mr Finkade  
Mr Howard Mr Tibson Mr Myers Mr Edmonds  
Mr Eaton Voted that Capt Crockett serve as

Treasurer

Voted to have a Supper Committee for Supper  
Mr Finkade Mr Edmonds Mr Pitts  
Voted to have ten to trim the hall and the following  
Gen were chosen Eaton. Edmonds. Mullet. Myers  
Hickborn Finkade Doherty Decoaster. Thomas. Howard  
Voted that a committee be chosen to procure flags and  
the following Gen were chosen Crockett Steel. Flanders  
Committee five Coaches Eaton. Steel. Mullet  
Voted that if any Gentlemen fetch more than  
one that he pay all the extra expense  
Voted that the Company wear their hunting caps  
no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hickborn

Friday Eve

The Company met and the evenings entertain  
ment passed off very agreeable to all

Monday April 26. 1834

Received Orders from Capt Crockett to wear  
the Company for May duty of the choice of  
ensign according to the usual form and  
made return

Attest Philip Hickborn

Wednesday Eve Apr 28. 1834

The Company met at the armory and a commit-  
tee was chosen of the following Gen Palmer  
Howard Edmonds Blanchard Tibson to select  
a candidate suitable for ensign and report.  
committee reported Mr Erva C Eaton

The following Gen were admitted as members  
Charles Simonds. James R Smith William Mason  
no other business adjourn

Attest Philip Hickborn



Friday Eve May 2 1834

The Company met at the armory and  
Mr Lane was admitted as an associate

Philip Hitchcock

Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1834

Company orders

To Phillip Hitchcock Clerk

You are hereby ordered to warn and give ten  
days notice to noncommissioned officers and privates  
invol in the company under my command  
by delivering to each one a written or printed  
order directing him to appear at the armory  
on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May next in uniform  
complete for company inspection

You are also ordered to notify the company  
to appear at the above place and time  
for the choice of Ensign and to fill other  
vacancies that may occur

Heavily fail not to make due returns to me  
on or before the day of our muster  
Said at Charlestown 25<sup>th</sup> Apr 1834

Seldon Crockett

Return

This certifies that I have warned and  
notified all the noncommissioned officers  
and privates invol in the company  
above mentioned under your command

Walter Pitts  
Clerk

Charlestown May 6<sup>th</sup> 1834

Company met at their armory for the choice  
of Ensign & Company inspection and to  
transact such other business as might come before  
the company

The Following are the list of Officers

Commissioners Seldon Crockett - Capt  
Edward B Dorr - Lieut  
Ezra O Eaton - Ens

Sergeants Walter Pitts  
John Howard  
John Gibbs  
Malcolm Thomas

Corporals James Guarnere  
Calvin Simons  
George C Edmonds  
Amos Decoster

Company orders

To Walter Pitts you are hereby ordered to notify  
the company to meet at the armory on weens  
day Evening at 6 o'clock for business of  
importance and likewise for drill

Seldon Crockett

The above was intended to and the company  
met and transacted their business and then  
proceeded to drill the company formed and  
marched to Charlestown Neck  
and returned voted to meet the following  
weensday Evening Walter Pitts  
Clerk



Charlestown June 18<sup>th</sup> 1834

Company met at their armory to see what measures they would take for the celebration of their anniversary

Voted to celebrate their anniversary

2 Voted to choose a committee of three to see what accommodations they could procure and report the following week

Voted that the following gentlemen serve as

Community  
George E. Eaton  
G. E. Edmonds  
Walter Pitts

Wednesday Evening June 25<sup>th</sup>

Company met and the committee reported that they waited on Mr. Murdock at Fresh Pond and found that they could be accommodated as they thought agreeable to the company

Company voted to except the report of their committee

To go to Fresh Pond to a colation and dine at Murdock's

Voted to have Six Dishes

Voted to choose a committee of three to procure

The following gentlemen were chosen

George E. Edmonds  
Lorenzo Dock  
John Howard

Voted to meet at six o'clock and start from the armory at 7 o'clock

Walter Pitts Clerk

Charlestown July 10<sup>th</sup> 1834

Company Orders

To Walter Pitts Clerk  
You are hereby ordered to warn and give four days notice to noncommissioned officers and privates in fold in the company undersigned by delivering to each one in person or by leaving it at his place of abode a written or printed order directing him to appear at the armory on Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> at 5 o'clock A.M. in uniform complete for company training

He is hereby put to make due return to me on or before the day of our perusal

Dated at Charlestown July 10<sup>th</sup> 1834

Lieut. Crockett Com-

Return

This certifies that that I have warned and notified all the noncommissioned officers and privates in fold in the company above mentioned under your command

Signed Walter Pitts Clerk

Company met at the time appointed and marched to Fresh Pond and partook of a colation and spent part of the day and then to Murdock's to dinner where we were met by a number of invited guests then returned to Charlestown  
Walter Pitts Clerk

Wednesday Evening Oct 8 1834

The Company met at their Armory for Drill & other Business: Voted Chosen a Committee to write on Col. Murdock of Cambridge to engage a dinner for the Company on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Oct which was mustered day: The Committee reported they had engaged a dinner agreeable to vote of last meeting report of committee was accepted

Signed Walter Pitts Clerk



# Regimental Orders

Charlestown Oct 8 1834  
Capt Seldon Crockett

will assemble the Company under his Command at Murdock's Tavern in Cambridge on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst at 9 AM. there he will review with Light Infantry & Rifle Companies latter detached from the first & fifth Regiments, to form in line at eleven O'clock AM by the Senior Officer Present, & be reviewed by Lieut Coln Brown of the first Regiment

Walter Pitts Clerk

## Company Orders

To Sergeant Walter Pitts  
Sir you are hereby ordered to warn & Give four days notice to all Non Commissioned Officers & Privates Enrolled in the Company under my Command by delivering to each man in Person or by leaving at his last & usual Place of abode, a written or Printed Order directing him to appear with the uniform Arms & equipments Required by Law at the Armory of the Columbian Guards on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Octr Inst at six O'clock AM for Military duty & Review thereof fail not to make return to me of your doings herein before the day of Appearance dated at

Charlestown this fiftenth day of Octr 1834

Seldon Crockett Capt  
C Guards

Return  
This Certifies that I have warned & notified according to Law all the Non Commissioned Officers & Privates enrolled in the Company aforesaid above named

Walter Pitts Clerk

Charlestown April 22 1835

Thursday Evening the Company went at their Armory this evening for Drill & other Business & voted to Parade in dark Coat & white Pants on Tuesday the fifth day of May next at twelve O'clock noon and to have two Pieces of Musick. the Company then Adjourned to Wednesday evening 28

Walter Pitts Clerk

## Company Orders

To Sergeant Walter Pitts  
Sir you are hereby ordered to warn & give four days notice to all Non Commissioned Officers & Privates ~~under~~ enrolled in the Company under my Command by delivering to each man in Person or by leaving at his last & usual Place of abode a written or Printed Order directing him to appear with the uniform Arms & equipments required by Law at their Armory on Tuesday the fifth day of May next at twelve O'clock noon for Military duty & Inspection thereof fail not to make return to me of your doings herein before the day of Appearance dated at

Charlestown this twenty seventh day of April 1835

Seldon Crockett Capt C Guards

Walter Pitts Clerk

Return  
This Certifies that I have warned & notified all the Non Commissioned Officers & Privates as required by Law, that are enrolled in the Company aforesaid above named

Walter Pitts Clerk

May 11 1835 Amos B. Dearborn was chosen clerk



Charlestown Wednesday Evening May 4<sup>th</sup> 1835

The Company met at the armory for Business  
Mr Charles P Brook was proposed and admitted as  
voted to meet next Wednesday Evening

Company met this Evening May 11<sup>th</sup> 1835

voted to chose a committee of 3 to propose a  
suitable candidate for Sergeant

Mr J. Howard  
Mr E. Purditt  
Mr J. E. Edwards

Committee

The Committee Reported Mr Amos R. Deosten  
Winthrop Gayrell was chosen Corporal

Charlestown August 29 1835

The Company met this Evening for Business  
voted to chose a committee to nominate accoutrements  
for Magazine

Committee { Mr John Howard  
Mr Ben Blanchard  
Mr Mort Purkis  
Mr E. L. Snow

The Committee Reported Mr Elbert Leighton  
and Excepted

Mr Crick ~~and~~ Hook was proposed and Admitted  
as a Member

voted to Adjourn August 30<sup>th</sup> 1835  
Amos R. Deosten

The Company met this Evening for Drill  
voted to chose a Armorer Mr Wm. Moser  
chosen for that Purpose

voted to Bend the Boston Washington Light &  
infantry Company the tents

The Company met this Evening for Drill and  
other Business  
voted to chose a Committee of three wait  
on the Hon. Commission Officers

Committee { Mr Wm. Moser  
Mr Charles Fessenden  
Mr E. L. Snow

voted to Advise for the lost things that  
missing from the Armory in the Buckhill paper

voted that Each member  
Should show his name to  
the Clerk Where he Reside  
on Place of Business  
Amos R. Deosten  
Clerk



Charlestown Sept 14 1835

The Company met this Evening for Drill and other Business  
voted that two Sets of Prades Silk and Worsted  
brought before the Comp next meeting  
voted that a committee be chosen to procure them

voted to Adjourn next  
Wednesday Evening  
Committee  
Mr E. C. Eaton  
Mr E. R. Dorr  
Amos R. Decoster  
Clerk

The Company met this Evening Sept 16  
For Drill. voted that the Company be  
Adjourned next Wednesday Evening for the choice of  
Non Commissioned Officers

voted that the Company have <sup>30</sup> Mr Lunningham  
Plums and to be left with the Capt and Lieu  
voted to have a committee to wait on the  
non Commissioned Officers and Sisson chosen  
for that committee

The Company met this Evening Sept 21. 1835  
voted to have a committee of 3 to provide  
music for the Band of October Howard Gardner  
Sisson the committee voted to have 8 Pieces of music

voted that the Company parade at Worcester the  
October ~~voted to have a committee~~ and have a supper

voted to have a committee of 2 to procure the  
Supper at Worcester not exceed over 50 cents and Sages  
at the Tavern Mr Prime and Mr Ayres were chosen  
for that committee

voted to have a committee to procure Refreshment  
for muster Mr Crockett and Mr Eaton were chosen

~~voted~~ the Company go to the Expense of <sup>and Mr Sisson</sup>  
Six new uniforms  
voted that they be left to the Officers

Mr John Whittle was proposed and admitted  
as a member

Charlestown Sept 23. 1835

The Company met at the Armory this Evening  
and voted to a committee of 5 to select  
candidates for non Commissioned Officers

Committee  
Barker  
Fessenden  
Gliden  
Baker  
Heron

The committee reported the following  
gentlemen for candidates ~~Mr James Gardner~~

Mr James Gardner as Sergeant  
Mr Francis Sisson Corporals 2  
Mr Benjamin Blanchard 3  
Mr Thomas Prime 4

The committee on music reported in favor  
The committee on Surgeon and Coffins reported  
for Mr Straton

voted the Company March Home muster Evening  
voted the Company have a meeting next Friday Evening

The following are the List of Officers

Commissioned  
Seldon Crockett Capt  
Edward R. Dorr Lieu  
Ezro C. Eaton Ens

Sergents  
Eleot Leighton  
John Howard  
Amos R. Decoster  
James M. Gardner

Corporals  
Winthrop Guntell  
Francis Sisson  
Benjamin G. Blanchard  
Thomas Prime



Charlestown Sept 28 1835

The Company met this Evening for Drill  
And Other Business  
voted that Mr Pitts Letter be Sept on the table  
~~and also upon the subject of a member~~  
Mr John Dennitt was Admitted as a member

1 Sept 30 1835

The Company met this Evening for Business  
voted the Company have new socks  
voted to loan with the Plumes  
voted to have a meeting Friday Evening

### and Regimental Company Orders

To Sergeant Amos R Deoster you are hereby  
ordered to warn and give four Days notice to all  
Non Commission officers and privates enrolled in the  
Company under my command by Delivering to  
Each man in person or by leaving at his last  
and usual Place of abode a printed Order directing  
him to appear at the Armory on the  
5 October next at 12 O'clock and at the 6

Here of fail not to make  
return to me of your Doings  
be fore the Day of Appearance  
dated at Charlestown this  
28 day of Sept 1835

Seldon Crockett Capt & C

Return

This certifies that I have warned all  
the Non Commission Officers and privates  
Enrolled in the Company to  
According to Law  
Amos R Deoster Capt

Charlestown Feb 15 1836

The Company met this Evening  
At the Eagle Hotel  
Voted that a committee of 3 be chosen  
to settle the Bills of the Company

Committee (E O Eaton  
Capt S Crockett  
J R Deoster)

Voted the Clerk be Authorized to collect  
the New Uniforms the Uniforms belong to Company  
voted that the Company meet Wednesday  
Evening Feb 17 at this house

Charlestown April 14 1836

### Company Orders

To Sergeant J R Deoster you are hereby  
ordered to warn and ten days notice to all  
Non Commission officers and privates enrolled  
in the Company under my command by  
Delivering to Each man in person or by leaving  
at his last and usual Place of abode a printed  
Order directing him to appear at the Armory  
for the purpose of having a lantern and  
spillins and Vaseline on the Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> April  
at 5 o'clock P.M.

Here of fail not to make return to me of your  
Doings be fore the Day of Appearance dated  
at Charlestown this 14 Day of April 1836  
Edmond R Darn Lee

Return

This certifies that I have warned all the  
Non Commission Officers and privates Enrolled  
in the Company According to Law



# Company Orders

To Sergeant Amos R Devostan give one hereby  
 Ordered to warn and give for days Notice to all  
 Non Commission officers and Privates enrolled in the  
 Company under my command by Deliberate each  
 man in Person on May coming at his last and usual  
 to appear at the armory on the first Tuesday  
 may the 3 at 12 o'clock 1836

Then of fail not to make Return to me of your Doings  
 he for the day of appearance dated this Day 14 April 1836

Return Edward R Dorn Sir

This certifies that I have Thence All the  
 Non Commission Officers and Privates enrolled in  
 the Company according to law Amos R Devostan Clerk

the Company met at their Armory Tuesday April 4  
 voted the a committee of 5 be chosen to call  
 candidates for Commission Officers

Committee Amos R Devostan  
 James Gordon  
 Francis Tipton  
 Joseph W Gilden  
 Martin Brinkley

voted to adjourn April 11

The Company met this Evening according to adjourn

The Committee Reported to Rose the Officers in Rank  
 voted that the Committee Reported to accept  
 voted to have a committee of 3 to right votes for the  
 1 Day

Mr Prime  
 Mr Blanchard  
 Mr Gilden

The Company met this Evening April 22 1836  
 for drill and other business  
 Mr John L. Hancock Thomas Brinknall  
 Phillips & Stearns the new proposed and admitted  
 as members of the Company

the Company assembled at the Armory  
 at 5 o'clock P.M. According to Order  
 voted to proceed to the Affairs of Captain  
 Edward R Dorn was chosen Captain and Declined  
 voted to proceed the Business  
 Ezra C Eaton was chosen and he Accepted the Office  
 the Company then proceeded for the choice of Ensign  
 the whole Mention of votes was 18  
 Mr Eliot Leighton had that Mention and chosen

voted to provide in uniform complete on  
 first Tuesday in may next  
 voted to have 3 pieces of musick  
 voted to have a committee to prepare them

the Company met this Evening May 2 1836  
 for drill and to hear the Reports of their committee  
 the committee Reported a pieces of musick  
 voted to accept the Report

voted to have Refreshments to serve the  
 voted to have a committee to make an Armory  
 for to provide them and George W and Mr Mason  
 voted that the Company meet May 3 at 12 o'clock

The Company Assembled May 3 According  
 to Order  
 voted that the Company be it self one Dollar  
 voted that the Commission Officers be  
 a committee to make an Armory  
 Respecting the letter that had be for the Company  
 and Reported next meeting

voted to have a committee of 3 to take on  
 Mr Babcock as ~~Proposing~~  
 to what he take care of the arms for the year  
 E. S. Snow  
 Brinknall  
 Blanchard

voted that the Clerk have all the fines  
 for his Services  
 voted that the Officers and Clerk make  
 on Mr Bonner as Treasurer

voted to adjourn May 11 Evening  
 Amos R Devostan



Charleston May 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

The Company met this Evening according to the appointment of the last meeting. Mr & O Eaton and Chas made their Reports the Company voted that Subject be indefinitely postponed.

Mr Brintnall and Others made their Reports the Report that Mr Pollock whole lot of the ~~thorns~~ as the same as Mr Merson had voted to accept the Reports.

Mr Pollock Hall was admitted as a member voted to adjourn next Wednesday Evening  
Amos R Deoster

May 4<sup>th</sup>  
The Company met this Evening for drill and other Business voted that the Company do not parade on the 17 of June. Mr Field was proposed and Admitted as a member.

The Company met this Evening May 25 for drill and other Business voted that a committee of 5 be chosen to select a man for Ensign.

and this committee to Report next Wednesday Evening  
Burke's  
Jessenon  
Gardner  
Deoster  
Lafson

The Company met this Evening June 3<sup>rd</sup> the Report the committee made their Report voted that the committee Report next Wednesday Evening. voted the Company parade the 10 of July.

Charleston June 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

The Company met this Evening for Drill and other Business voted that the committee be Discharged that was chosen to select an Ensign. voted that a notice Committee be chosen for that purpose.

Mr Eaton  
this committee to Report.  
next Wednesday Evening.  
Mr Carr  
Mr Merson

Mr Henry Gathott was proposed and Admitted as a member. voted that to choose a committee of 5 for a Halling the new uniforms.

Gardner  
Lafson  
J Brintnall  
Keneck  
Merson  
voted to meet Friday Evening  
the Company met Friday Evening  
and voted to meet next Monday Evening.

Charleston June 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

The Company assembled at the armory this day in uniform complete. then the Company voted to go to the dinner. voted that Mr Nathaniel Myers Jr have this Discharge.

Charleston June 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

Had a regular meeting of the Company held at the armory this Evening the following business was transacted viz: The clerk being absent John L Stonecutt was chosen Clerk pro tem. Letter was then read from the Town committee for the celebration of the 17 of June last past returning thanks for services rendered on that day.

It was the voted that there be a regular for Drill every Wednesday & Friday Evening until the 10<sup>th</sup> of July next the Company then voted adjourned to Friday Evening next at 8 o'clock.

Amos R Deoster  
John Keneck  
Lafson  
Lafson



Charlestown June 29 1836

at a regular meeting of the company this evening at the Armory the following business was transacted

Mr J. Fredrick Gustus was proposed by Mr Eaton and Admitted as a member  
voted that the company parade the 11 of July at Hingham and have a Dinner on that day  
voted that the whole Subject be left to the commanding Officer  
voted that the company have 10 pieces of music for that day  
voted that a committee be appointed this month

the following Gentlmen } Garrison  
chosen for the purpose } Gardner  
Giddens } voted that the Subject be left to the committee

voted to have a committee of 3 to fill all the uniforms that day

voted to ad. 2 more to } Blanchard  
Fission  
Giddens  
voted to ad. 2 more to } Decoster  
Preston

voted the company to parade the 11 of July at 12 past 6 O'clock A.M.  
voted the company vote to adjourn Friday Evening at 8 O'Clock

P. Amos R. Decoster  
Clerk

Charlestown July 6 1836

at a regular meeting of the company this evening at the Armory the following business was transacted

the commanding Officer made his Report from Hingham voted that Report be accepted

the music committee made their Report that reported 8 pieces of music and was accepted by the company

Our Commander Received a invitation from the three first Officer of Washington Guards, of Hingham to partake of a Colation on our arrival at that place  
the company voted to accept the invitation

voted to proceed the business of Non Commissioned voted that the Non Commission Officer be raised by the Order of promotion

John Howard 1  
The following Gentlmen R. Decoster 2  
Was chosen Sergeant. Gamet M. Gardner 3  
Montague Gupstall 4

Corporals } General Session 1  
Thomas Prime 2  
voted to have a committee of 3 to nominate a corporals  
Benj. G. Blanchard 3  
William J. Mason 4

the committee presented Mr Mason and was accepted

voted that a committee of 3 be chosen this committee shall be a committee of 3 it shall be the Duty to see at the Affairs of Hingham  
Mr Prime  
Mr Giddens

voted to meet Friday Evening Mr Join

The company met Friday Evening at 8 1/2 O'Clock the company Dined in the hall  
the company voted to extend a invitation to Joseph L. Boyl and William Sawyer to dine with us on that day

To the Clerk Charlestown 1836 June 25  
you are hereby Ordered to warn and give fair days Notice to all non Commission officers and privates enrolled in the company under any command by leaving them a writing or printed Notification at each mans last place or usual place of a habitation directing them to appear at the armory at the Colation Ground in uniform armed or equipped as the Law requires on Monday the 11 day of July next at 6 1/2 O'clock morning Military Duty Inspection & Review and make ready to be of your Duty the day of Appearance

Signed Ezra Eaton



# Return

This certifies that a horse named all the  
Non commissioned officers and privates Enrolled  
in the company to have

Amos R Deostin

Charlestown July 11

The company met at their Rooming this Day  
According to Order at half past 6 o'clock in the morning  
the company marched to Boston then to the  
Boat for Hingham the armed at Hingham and  
marched to Washington Guards Primary and partook  
of a late dinner provided by the Washington Guards  
the then march to the Old Colony House  
and then partook of a Dinner provided for the  
company then the company marched to  
the Boat for Boston and then landed the  
Agreement from each man the sum \$4.12

the Steam Boat landed the company at  
Charlestown the company marched up  
to the Neck and then partook of sum Refreshment  
provided by some of the members the company  
Returned to the Rooming and voted the  
rate of \$1000 <sup>per annum</sup> Officer of the Washington  
and to Captain of Seaine Boat and to Old  
Colony House

And Capt E O Eaton should forward the same  
the voted to meet next Wednesday Evening  
the company was Dismissed

the company met this Evening July 12 1836  
voted to meet next Evening from then to meet  
voted again to meet Wednesday Evening

the company met this Evening July 20  
voted to adjourn to next Wednesday Evening

# Company Orders

To our Amos R Deostin Clerk

You are hereby Ordered to move and give  
ten Days notice to all the Non commissioned  
Officers and privates enrolled in the company  
under my command by Delivering to each  
man in person or by leaving at his last and  
usual place of Abode a Written or printed  
Order directing him to appear at the Rooming  
Charlestown Thursday the fourth day of August  
at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon for the choice of  
an Ensign thereof fail not and make Return  
to me of your doings herein before the day of  
Appearance Date at Boston the twenty second  
Day of July 1836 Eyma O Eaton Capt

# Return

This certifies that a horse named our Halifax  
According to law all the Non commissioned  
Officers and privates enrolled in the company  
Heresaid above named Amos R Deostin  
Clerk

August 4 1836

The company assembled at the Rooming  
this day for the choice of Ensign  
and John Stowane was Elected for that Office  
voted that a committee of 2 be chosen to  
in future Mr Stowane of Election

Committee (Stowane & Gardner)

try Mr Mason Request the was Discharge  
asked the committee of 2 be chosen to  
to select a candidate for that Office  
the committee Reported Mr Gardner  
voted that the Report be Accepted and was  
chosen Mr Gardner Accepted



1836  
Wednesday Evening August 17<sup>th</sup>

At a regular meeting held at the Room  
this Evening the Clerk being absent  
Mrs John Hancock was chosen Clerk Protem  
The article in the Constitution in reference  
to the admission of members was made a side  
for this Evening when the company  
proceeded to ballot for Mr Frederick Rankin  
who was unanimously admitted as a member  
it was moved to adjourn to a regular  
meeting to Wednesday Evening next

Amos R. Deoster Clerk

The company met Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

voted to adjourn music Evening next

Wednesday Evening Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1836

At a regular meeting held at the Room  
this Evening  
voted that the march to the Rock Tavern  
muster morning and Ride Waltham  
voted that company march down the  
next day after muster  
voted that company camp on the Ground  
that night  
voted to have 2 pieces of music for muster  
voted those a committee of 3 to provide the music  
voted this committee Reporters Mrs Gardner  
a Government of this meeting Mrs Sessenden  
Mrs Howard

voted the company should target the day  
of muster in the forenoon and march down  
in of forenoon voted company have a room  
at Masons house  
voted to have a committee of 3  
and the business should be to their  
and Estor Prim Pair mason firms Golden  
and

voted to move their contents  
voted to move all the equipped men  
from the Room that morning

voted to adjourn to Friday Evening next

Friday Evening Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

met According to the adjournment of the  
last meeting  
voted to accept the Report of the music  
committee  
voted to have 6 pieces of music the  
day after muster and the committee provided  
the same  
voted that Mrs F W Rankin should be  
taken from the Roll  
the company then voted to adjourn  
to Monday Evening at 12 noon by ballot

## Regimental Orders

To Sergeant Amos R. Deoster you are her  
by Order to move and give for days Notice  
all Noncommission Officer and privates  
voted in the company under my command  
delivering each man in person or by  
having at his last and usual place of  
residence a printed Order directing him to  
appear at Armory on the 28 September at  
8 o'clock in uniform complete  
Rev of file not make notice to me of your  
leaving be for the day of appearance  
dated at this station this 28 day of Sept 1836

Seldon Crackett Capt & C

This certifies that I Warrant all the  
Noncommission Officer and privates in Roll  
the company According Order

Amos R. Deoster  
Clerk



Northampton Feb 7 1837

The Company met at the Eagle Tavern  
this Evening. When Read for the  
Hall the Mills. When Read for the  
Company and voted to have them  
to Clock for safe keeping the bills of  
year 1836  
voted to thus a committee of 2 to  
What upon and end to Down and  
this committee Request him for all the  
things that he bring to the company  
that there is in possession

Mr. Gaspard W. Giddens  
Mr. Martin Bunker

voted the the letter that was Read for  
for the company for Mr. Dennett  
be left to the Clock

voted that the things that is Read  
from Mr. Down to place in the hands  
of the Commanding Officer

voted that Mr. Munroe will be  
by till next May

voted to Discharge  
meeting

Amos R. Deoster Clerk

The Company met this Evening April 12  
voted that Mr. John Dennett have his  
Discharge pronounced the pany's all his Demands

voted the Adjourn next Wednesday Evening  
for Drill

Amos R. Deoster (Clerk)

Wednesday Evening, April 14. The meet-  
ing was called to order this evening after the usual  
manner, when the following persons were unanimously  
admitted members of the Company, viz:—

Daniel Gardner  
William Hodgkins

George W. Eustis,  
Robert Praddey, and  
Thatcher Beal.

On motion of Mr. Burkes, Mr. Thatcher Beal  
was admitted an honorary member, at his request.  
Voted, That the company appear in Uniform  
on Tuesday next, May 2d.

Voted, That the company have four pieces  
of Music for the next parade, and that a committee  
of three be chosen to procure the same. The follow-  
ing persons were then appointed, viz:— Messrs. James  
M. Gardner, William T. Mason, and Charles Feppen-  
den.

The Clerk having stated to the Company that  
it was necessary to have an Assistant Clerk,  
it was moved that there be one chosen from  
the Company at large, when Mr. John C. Han-  
cock was appointed to fill that office.

A motion was then made to adjourn  
to next Wednesday evening, (April 25th) at  
7 1/2 past 9 o'clock.

(Signed)

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clerk

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Wednesday Evening, April 25th. The meeting  
being called to order, the Committee chosen at the  
meeting previous to procure Music for the May  
trainings, made a report, through their Chairman,  
(Mr. Gardner) stating that they had procured the  
same, which report was accepted.

Mr. Charles Townsend was then proposed  
by Mr. Stearnes as a suitable person for member-  
ship, and, on being balloted for, was admitted a mem-  
ber of the company by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Thomas Rice was then proposed for  
membership, by Mr. Deoster, and on being ballot-  
ed for received a unanimous vote.

It was then Voted, To choose non-com-  
missioned officers, by promotion, which was accom-  
plished, and Mr. Francis Lisbon was promoted  
to the office of 4th Sergeant. Mr. Martin  
Burkes was chosen 4th Corporal, a vacancy hav-  
ing occurred in that office by promotion.

The following persons were then discharged  
viz:— John Gibbs, Jr., Calvin Townsend and James M.  
Phipps.

Voted, That the Company have refresh-  
(over)



ments at the Neck Tavern, on Tuesday afternoon next, and that the following gentlemen constitute a committee to procure the same, viz: - Messrs Prime and Paine.

Voted, That a Committee of three be chosen to procure <sup>suits</sup> uniforms, as would not be likely to be filled on Tuesday next, and the following persons were chosen on that committee, viz: - Messrs. Howard, Glidden and Burkes.

Voted, That a committee of two be chosen to wait on Mr. Babcock, and ascertain on what terms he would take charge of the arms, &c. belonging to the company, for the present year. Messrs. S. Brintnall and B. G. Blanchard were chosen as that committee.

Voted, That this meeting be now adjourned to Monday evening next, at half past 7 o'clock. - Adjourned.

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.  
" "

Monday Evening, May 6. According to adjournment, the company met this evening when the following business was transacted, viz: The com<sup>tee</sup> chosen to wait on Mr. Babcock to ascertain on what terms he would take charge of the arms, &c. of the company, reported that his terms would be the same as last year. The committee had further time to make additional inquiries.

Mr. Pradley then proposed Mr. Wm Gaskin for membership, and he was admitted a member of the company by a unanimous vote.

Voted, That the roll be called to-morrow at 1/2 past 12 o'clock, precisely.

Voted to adjourn. - Adjourned.  
John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.  
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Tuesday noon, May 2<sup>d</sup> 1837. The company met this day for inspection, and marched to Boston, and back again, to the Neck Tavern, (Simonds) where they partook of some refreshments. After a halt of one

hour, the company took up their line of march through the principal streets of the town, and returned to their armory, at about half past 6 o'clock. (The assessments of the day was \$175 each)

The company was then called to order and Mr. Benjamin G. Blanchard was chosen Treasurer of the company for the ensuing year. The meeting then adjourned to Wednesday evening (week) at 1/2 past 9 o'clock.

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.

Wednesday Evening, May 17. The company met this evening at the usual hour, and Mr. George Short was proposed for membership by Mr. Pradley, and admitted by an unanimous vote. The meeting then adjourned to Wednesday evening next.

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.

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Wednesday Evening, May 24. The company met and adjourned to the following Wednesday evening.

J. C. H. Assistant Clk.

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Wednesday evening, May 31. Company met for drill, and adjourned to the following Wednesday evening.

J. C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.

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Wednesday evening, June 7. Company met for drill, and adjourned to next Wed. evening.

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.

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Wednesday evening, June 14. Comp. met for drill, and adjourned.

J. C. H. Asst Clk.



Wednesday evening, June 22, '37.

The Company met for drill and business. A committee was chosen to ascertain the expense of "Cross Belts," and report at the next meeting. The following persons were chosen on said Committee, viz: B. G. Blanchard, Thos. Prime, and Wm. Hodgkins. Adjourned.  
J. C. Hancock, Secy. Clerk.  
of C. Guards, of C.

Wednesday Evening July 19, 1837

Voted to have Cross Belts and read that the Committee have 50 cents from each member to pay for the same. Voted to have a committee of 3 to select 2 Men to vacancies of Commissioned Officers and to Report ~~at the next~~ Wednesday Evening. Voted to adjourn to next Wednesday.

Wednesday Evening August 2, 1837

The Company met this evening for business. The Committee reported in favor of our Champion <sup>as Lieutenant</sup> to fill the other vacancies. By the Order of promotion it was then voted that Report be accepted.

Major Champion and William Mansfield Randall Messers were proposed and admitted as members. Voted that the Company be satisfied. Voted to adjourn Wednesday Evening.

Amos R. Decoster, Clerk

Charlestown August 15, 1837  
the Company met for Drill and other business.

Wednesday Eve. Aug. 15. The following persons were proposed and admitted as members of the Company, viz: Henry Hovey and John Mullett. Adjourned.

"Militia of Massachusetts.

Company Orders.

To Amos R. Decoster, Clerk

You are hereby ordered to warn, and give ten days notice to all the Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates, enrolled in the company under my command, by delivering to each man, in person, or by leaving at his last and usual place of abode, a written or printed Order, directing him to appear <sup>by law</sup> at the Columbian Guards' Armory, in Charlestown, on Wednesday, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, at 8 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of electing a Lieutenant and Ensign. Hereof fail not, and make return to me, of your doings herein, before the day of appearance. Dated at Charlestown, the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1837.

John O. Eaton Capt

Return

This certifies that I have read and notified according to law all the Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates enrolled in the Company aforesaid above named.

Amos R. Decoster Clerk



Wednesday evening, Aug. 23<sup>d</sup>. Meeting called to order—proceeded to drill with a large number of members. After the drill, a committee was chosen to procure the necessary articles to equip 2 officers and procure extra uniforms, the members having voluntarily agreed to give what they receive from the State this year to defray the expenses. Messrs. Eaton, Blaisdell and Howard compose the committee. The uniforms to be left in the hands of the committee and the terms of payment left at their discretion. Mr. George Bartlett was then proposed and admitted as a member.

The company then adjourned to next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.  
John C. Hancock, Asst. Clerk

Thursday Evening Sept 30  
Proceed the Business Roll called  
Mr. David Tucker was admitted as member. Proceeded to elect a Lieutenant and Ensign Mr. Martin Thompson was chosen Lieutenant and John Howard was chosen Ensign both by a unanimous vote. A vacancy occurring by the above election that never filled by the Order of promotion Mrs. James Gardner Declined Mr. Francis Lison was chosen Sergeant & the Corporal Robert Prudden

The company then adjourned to next Wednesday Evening at 8 o'clock

Amos R. Decoster Clerk

Wednesday Evening Sept 6

The company met this evening for business Mr. George W. Dale and Mr. Gilman Fuller was proposed and admitted as members. Voted that company meet next Friday Evening for Street Drill with Light music.

Wednesday Evening Sept 13 1837  
Meeting called to order proceeded to Drill with a large number of members. After the Drill Mr. George Rice and Mr. William Leath was proposed and admitted as members. Voted to accept the Reports of the committee. That chosen to go to Lexington to procure Breakfast and Dinner for the company. The Report that Mr. Davis made furnish out at \$1.25 each voted that the company meet Friday Evening for Street Drill. Voted, that an invitation be extended to Capt. Sprichard and his Aid to partake of a breakfast and dinner with the company on the day of muster.

A. R. Decoster, Clerk

### Company Orders.

To Amos R. Decoster, Clerk—

Sir: Agreeable to Regimental Orders of the 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1837, you are hereby ordered to warn, and give four days notice to all the non-commissioned officers & privates, enrolled in the company under my command, by delivering to each man in person, or by leaving at his last & usual place of abode, a written or printed order directing him to appear with the uniform, arms, and equipments required by law, at the Columbian Guards Armory, Charlestown, on Monday, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. at 4 o'clock in the morning, for military duty, inspection and review.

Hereof fail not, and make return to me, of your doings herein, before the day of appearance. Dated at Charlestown this fifteenth day of Sept. 1837. Capt. Ezra C. Eaton

### Return

This certifies that I have warned and notified, according to law, all the non-commissioned officers and privates enrolled



in the company aforesaid, above nam-  
ed. Ck.

### Company Orders.

To Mr. Amos R. Becoster, Ck.

You are hereby ordered to warn and give four days notice to all the non-commissioned officers and privates enrolled in the company under my command, by delivering to each man in person, or by leaving at his last and usual place of abode, a written or printed order, directing him to appear, with the uniform, arms and equipments required by law, at the Columbian Guards Armory, Charlestown, on Friday, the 13th day of October, at 8 o'clock, in the morning, for military duty, inspection & review. Hereby fail not, and make return to me, of your doings herein before the day of appearance. Dated at Charlestown, this fifteenth day of Sept. 1837.  
Capt. Ezra C. Eaton

### Return.

This certifies that I have warned and notified, according to law, all the non-commissioned officers and privates enrolled in the company aforesaid, above named. Ck.

Wednesday Evening, Sept. 20th. Meeting called to order, proceedings read. A committee was then chosen to procure music for the 13th of October, viz: Messrs Eaton, Howard, and Gibson. A com. was then chosen to procure a dinner for that day, viz: Prime, Champney & Praddey. The above committees to report on the following Wednesday evening. The meeting then adjourned to Friday evening Sept. 22d at 1/2 past 9 o'clock.

John C. Henever,  
Asst. Ck.

Thursday Evening Sept 26 1837

Meeting called to Order and proceedings of last meeting read - the committee was chosen to ascertain the expense of a dinner on the 13th procd at one dollar a man. voted to accept the Report of that committee voted to discharge the old music committee and close a nother in stead the following gent viz: Eaton, Champney, Howard, Elders, Muttell voted to have 16 pees of musick for the 13 procd voted to Exende a invitation to Col. Prehord and Staff voted to adjourn to Friday Evening next at 8 o'clock  
Thursday Evening

Wednesday Evening October 14 1837

Meeting called to Order and the Proceeding of the last meeting read every spirited debate was had respecting musick much was finally decided in favour of the Bngd Band after having been heated for voted to have a hall drill next Friday Evening voted to adjourn to Friday Evening



Friday Evening October 6<sup>th</sup> 1837

vote to have a committee of 3 to  
right test for that day of parade

John C. Hancock  
Ephraim Bailey  
St. St. J. Goodrich  
vote adjourn to Monday Evening next  
Amos R. Deoster

Monday Evening October 9<sup>th</sup> 1837  
vote that a committee of 2 be chosen  
to provide homes for next Monday Evening  
for the company to drill  
vote adjourn to next Wednesday Evening  
at 7 o'clock

Amos R. Deoster

Wednesday Even. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1837

Regular Meeting - Company met and  
proceeded to business. An invitation from  
the Managers of the "National Theatre",  
to visit that establishment on Friday  
evening next, (the company having passed a  
vote to parade on that day) which was  
read to the Company, and the invitation  
accepted.

Voted, That an invitation be extended  
to Messrs. Pelby, Jones and Smith, of the Na-  
tional Theatre, to dine with the Company on  
the day of parade, at Taft's Hotel, in the sea  
at 3 o'clock, P.M.

Voted, That the overplus remain-  
ing in the hands of the Treasurer, which was  
collected by assessment on the day of Muster  
go towards defraying the expenses of the parade  
on Friday next.

Voted, That Lieutenant Champ-  
ney be a committee to extend the invitation  
to Messrs. Pelby, Jones and Smith of the National  
Theatre, to dine with the Company on Fri-  
day next.

Voted to adjourn Meeting

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clerk.

Friday morning, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 1837

This being the day on which the Company  
voted to parade, the Members met agreeably  
to orders, when the meeting was called to or-  
der and the following business transacted:-

Voted, That the Company do not pa-  
rade to-day on account of the inclemency  
of the weather.

[Note. Oct. 13. A very cold Northeast rain storm,  
with some snow, which continued through the greater por-  
tion of the day. However, it was agreed upon by a number of  
the members present to have a sort of jollification this day,  
and about 35 went to Chelsea, in citizens' dress, where Capt.  
Eaton presided over a first rate dinner, which was done  
up in good style by Mr. Taft, of the Chelsea House. In  
the evening about 125 of the number visited the Na-  
tional Theatre.]

Voted, That a committee of two be ap-  
pointed to be chosen to wait on the gentlemen  
invited to dine with the Company to-day, and  
inform them of the postponement. Also, to  
wait upon Mr. Taft and notify him to the  
same effect.

Voted, That the Company meet for  
parade on Monday next, at 8 o'clock, A.M. -  
weather fair or foul

Voted to adjourn.

Adjourned

John C. Hancock, Asst. Clerk.

Monday morning, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> '37.

Company paraded this day, - marched through  
the principal streets of the town and of Boston,  
and partook of a handsome collation at Brides  
Hotel, in Boston, by invitation from the com-  
mander, Capt. Eaton C. Eaton. Also an in-  
vitation from Capt. John Green, Jr. of Boston  
to take a social glass of wine at his house, which  
was accepted. Then proceeded to Chelsea to dine  
by way of the Ferry Boat. A number of  
the Officers of the Regiment honored the  
company at the dinner table, together with



a number of gentlemen from Boston. - The day was spent in a most pleasant & agreeable manner. In the evening, the Company visited the Theatre (the invitation having been politely extended by the Managers.) ~~Under the~~ John C. Hancock, Asst. Clk.

Charlestown Feb 19 1838

The Company met this Evening to transact the Yearly Meeting Business

David Love } the Gent. Was chosen  
Frankling Brown } admitted as members  
Thomas Love }  
voted the Mrs David Tucker was chosen as Armorer for the year 1838  
voted that a committee of 3 be chosen to select a member for a Clerk  
the committee reported Mr Francis Lissin as he accepted of the office

voted that the Company accept the report of the Treasurer Account for the last year

Amos R Decoster  
Clerk

End of the First Record Book of the Columbian Guard for further particulars see next Book

Francis Lissin Clk

den's place as first Corporal - report accepted - Voted to buy 2 lamps by Parker Haynes chosen to procure them

Voted to adjourn to Wednesday eve next at 7 1/2 past 7 o'clock

Wednesday By Man 5 1838

the Co met according to adjournment



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was the

2 for next meeting - In what paper  
"Card" of thanks published?